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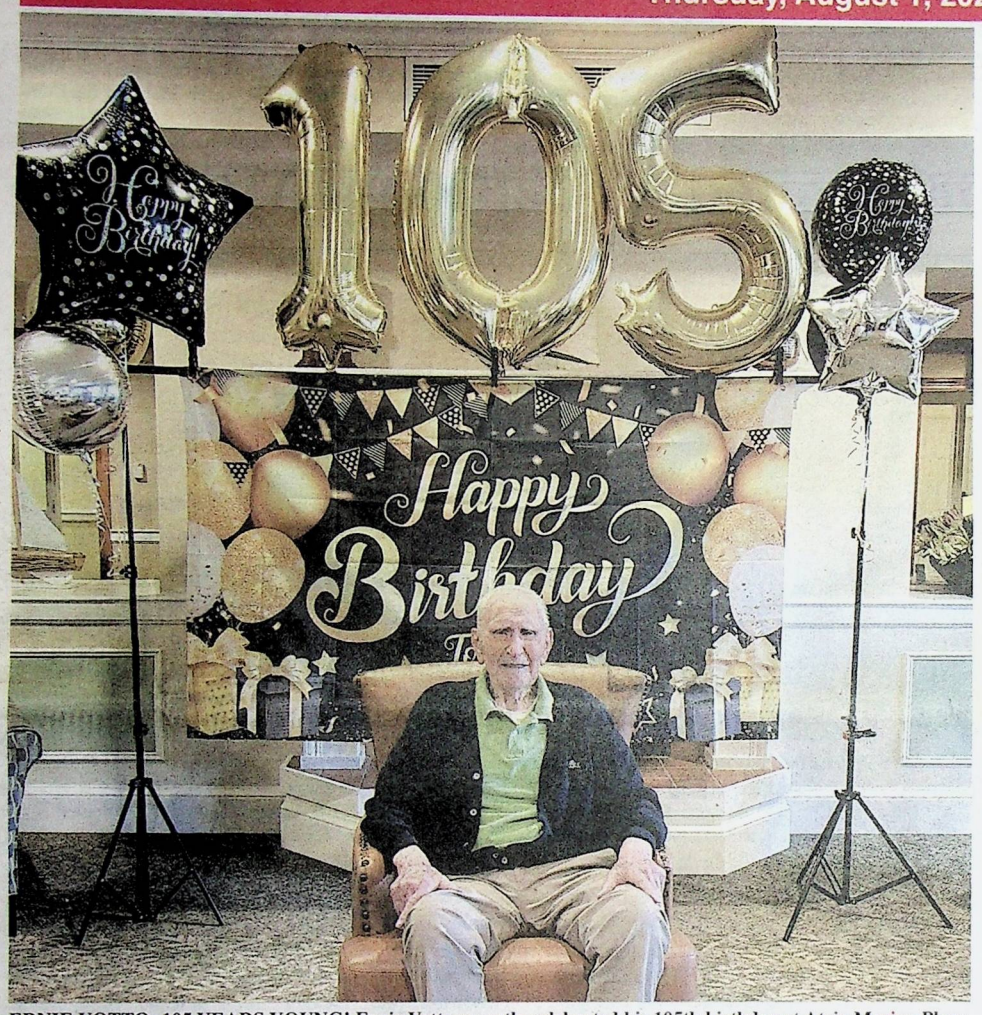


**ERNIE VOTTO: 105 YEARS YOUNG! Ernie Votto recently celebrated his 105th birthday at Atria Marina Place. Ernie is a truly remarkable gentleman. Known for his vibrant personality and zest for life, Ernie continues to live each day to the fullest. As a proud Veteran of the United States Air Force, his service to the country is just one of the many facets of his inspiring life. His love for his wonderful family brings immense joy and fulfillment to his days. He continues to enrich the lives of all who have the privilege of knowing him.** *Courtesy Photo*

# State Primary Election Sept. 3

## *Vote Options: By Mail, Absentee, In-Person Early And Primary Day*

By SCOTT JACKSON

Registered voters will have a chance to vote early, both by mail and in-person, ahead of the Sept. 3 state primary election. Two Quincy city councillors are among those running, one on the Democratic ballot and the other on the Republican ballot.

The Democratic, Republican and Libertarian parties are all holding primaries on Sept. 3, though no Libertarians will appear on the ballot in Quincy.

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# City, Partner Agencies Hailed As National Models

The City of Quincy's Community Development division and two of its partner agencies were recognized as national models at two major regional and national conferences held recently.

The National Community Development Association (NCDA) held its annual meeting in Cambridge, with nearly 400 practitioners from across the country in attendance. Quincy's Community Development Director, Sean Glennon, was a presenter at one session, and moderator of three others, including a session on best practices in ending homelessness. That particular panel featured Liz Rogers, Chief Strategy Officer at Father Bill's & MainSpring, who elaborated on the agency's successes in creating a new service-delivery model focused on prevention, triage and assessment, and rehousing as quickly as possible.

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# Joint Effort Provides Essential Hygiene Products To Students

Hope & Comfort has joined Quincy Public Schools and their YouthWorks students to assemble, pack, and distribute 1,110 essential hygiene product kits to their fellow Quincy students.

Hope & Comfort's mission is to provide sustained access to essential hygiene products - such as soap, shampoo, toothpaste, deodorant, and menstrual products - to support the health, dignity, and confidence of people in need in Massachusetts.

Quincy Public Schools YouthWorks students, student interns, and dedicated QPS staff members have joined forces with Hope & Comfort for this impactful event. The team has assembled to pack essential hygiene kits. These completed kits will be distributed to students at Snug Harbor Elementary, Broad Meadows Middle School, Point Webster Middle School, and South West Middle School for the upcoming school year.

The goal? To provide students with the confidence they need to feel comfortable and succeed in

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**QUINCY HIGH SCHOOL seniors Isabella Guerriero (left) and Linda Lau head a social awareness campaign promoting the important of hygiene.** *Courtesy Photo*

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CITY OF QUINCY'S Community Development division and two of its partner agencies were recently recognized as national models at two major regional and national conferences. Shown here accepting the CDBG Longevity Award from the National Community Development Association are(from left to right) Sean Glennon, Peg O'Connor, Ellen Hafer and Grace Murphy-McAuliffe

SOME OF QUINCY'S community development staff pose for a group photo: Jane Berry, Lead Program Manager; Sean Glennon, Community Development Director; Joyce Jiang, Asst. Planner; Sherry Zou, Housing Programs Manager; and Kate Tenney, Research Assistant for Communications. *Courtesy Photos*

# City, Partner Agencies Hailed As National Models

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The agency recently opened a housing resource center on Broad Street with the city's support, which has quickly garnered national acclaim for its innovative, results-oriented approach in addressing homelessness.

Quincy's Housing Programs Manager, Sherry Zou, gave two presentations at the conference, including one on training and professional development.

A major highlight of the NCDA conference was the presentation of the first-ever Community Development Longevity Award, which was presented to the City of Quincy in partnership with Manet Community Health. The award was presented in recognition of Manet's Houghs Neck site, which is the longest-running, continuously-operating CDBG-funded project in the entire country. CDBG is a federal program, administered locally, which is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. CDBG funding was allocated to construct the Houghs Neck facility 45 years ago. In attendance for the awards ceremony were Cynthia Sierra and Grace Murphy-McAuliffe, Manet's CEO and Board President, respectively. Special guests included Ellen Hafer and Peg O'Connor.

Ms. Hafer served as Manet's Executive Director from 1983-2001, and was one of the most pivotal and transformative leaders in the agency's history.

Ms. O'Connor, who has lived in Houghs Neck for decades, was a social service technician in Quincy's Department of Elder Services during Manet's infancy, and she was one of the city's most crucial representatives in providing access to healthcare for many seniors in the neighborhood. The reunion of Ms. Hafer and Ms. O'Connor was very touching for those who had the privilege of witnessing the momentous occasion. During his acceptance of the award on behalf of the city, Glennon commented on how fitting it is that the term "Manet" is Latin for "It Remains." Indeed, Manet remains. Born out of the Blizzard of 1978, when the peninsula of Houghs Neck became an island, leaving residents stranded without access to healthcare, Manet has remained a beacon of health ever since.

"As Manet's Board president for the past three years, I have come to learn and understand just how strong, influential and lifechanging the partnership with the City of Quincy's CDBG program has been in the community and in the life of Manet and our patients," said Grace Murphy-McAuliffe. "On behalf of the Manet Board of Directors, we could not be more privileged and gratified to congratulate our colleagues, partners and friends in the City of Quincy's Department of Planning & Community Development, under the leadership of Mayor Tom Koch, Planning Director Jim Fatseas and Community Development Director Sean Glennon, on receiving this well-deserved honor!"

NCDA also presented Quincy with the John Sasso National Community Development Week Award for a record 12th time.

Following the NCDA conference, Quincy was once again recognized as an exemplary community, by being asked to present at the New England regional homeless summit, held in Worcester, organized by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Glennon served on a panel titled "Developing Strong Partnerships" alongside John Yazwinski, president and CEO of Fr. Bills & MainSpring.

The panel was attended by more than 250 people, and was moderated by Joe Finn, president of the Mass. Housing & Shelter Alliance. Finn is also a former Quincy city councillor. The master of ceremonies for the summit was Juana Matias, Administrator of HUD's New England region. Other notable speakers at the summit included Ed Augustus, Secretary of the Mass. Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities; and U.S. Sen. Jack Reed (D-RI).

AMONG THOSE ATTENDING the New England regional homeless summit, held in Worcester, organized by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) were (from left to right) Joe Finn, president of the Mass. Housing & Shelter Alliance; Dr. Matilde Castiel, City of Worcester; Ahrehon Thompson, City of Malden; HUD Administrator Juana Matias; John Yazwinski, Fr. Bill's & MainSpring; Sean Glennon, City of Quincy and Daniel Brennan, Maine Housing.

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**Lunch Service: Monday—Friday 11 am to 1 pm - July 8 through August 16, 2024**

Please note the following guidelines for the Quincy Summer Eats Program:

This is a congregate feeding program. Children must eat the meals on site.

Children age 18 years old and younger are allowed to take one lunch.

Parent/guardian cannot take meals on their child's behalf or for themselves.

There are no registration or income requirements to participate.

"This is an equal opportunity provider."

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The Snug Harbor School

The Ward II Community Center

The Lincoln Hancock School cafeteria

The F.W. Parker School cafeteria

The Montclair Elementary School gym

SUMMER EATS
FREE MEALS FOR KIDS & TEENS

# Keenan Optimistic About MBTA Red Line Work

By SCOTT JACKSON

As the MBTA prepares to close the Braintree branch of the Red Line for 24 days next month, during which time shuttle buses will replace trains, Sen. John Keenan believes the transit agency is close to being back on track.

The Braintree branch will be closed from Sept. 6 to Sept. 29 as part of the MBTA's track improvement program. T officials have said the closure will allow the transit agency to make repairs along 18 miles of track, lifting more than 20 slow zones and reducing round-trip travel times by as much as 24 minutes.

During the closure, shuttle buses will replace train service between Braintree, Quincy Adams, Quincy Center, Wollaston and North Quincy stations. The MBTA has not yet finalized plans for the shuttle service, but buses will likely connect those stations with Ashmont, not JFK/UMass, to avoid traffic on the Neponset Bridge.

"The bus route will go to Ashmont station," said Keenan, a Quincy Democrat, during a recent interview. "It won't go from Quincy Center, Wollaston, North Quincy straight to JFK over the Neponset Bridge, and part of that is because of the congestion on the Neponset Bridge in the morning. They just think it will be easier to go from North Quincy over to Granite Street and then into Ashmont station and get on the Red Line there."

Asked if the MBTA had explored the idea of running express shuttle service between Braintree or Quincy Adams and Boston, Keenan said he was unsure, adding that the MBTA may need to do so if the shuttle buses become too crowded.

"That has been discussed in the past, whether you would put a bus from Quincy Adams or Braintree right on the expressway and send it into JFK. When Wollaston station closed, that was discussed, and their analysis showed that it wouldn't work," he said. "I think personally that they're going have to determine, if the buses are too crowded, whether that will be an option. If the buses are coming into Quincy Center and they're already full from Braintree and Quincy Adams, then they've got to have a bus close behind it, but at some point they may have to make that decision on the fly so to speak."

Keenan said the results of it should be positive. He also suggested commuters consider using the Commuter Rail or the ferry out of Squantum Point Park while the trains are not running.

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# Visit And Learn About Quincy Granite Industry

**THE QUINCY QUARRY and Granite Workers Museum will open on Saturday, Aug. 3rd and Sunday, Aug. 4th from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. for a self-guided walking tour at the Lyons Turning Mill grounds located on Quarry Hills Drive, West Quincy. Historic pictures of the granite industry and interpretive information can be viewed at each stop around the mill. The museum will also be open for a self-guided tour to view pictures and artifacts from Quincy's granite industry. The museum also has a new geology display in the museum's new building adjacent to the main museum. Museum members will be on hand to answer questions and Quarry Museum T-shirts will be on sale to help support the museum. Admission is Free.** *Courtesy Photo*

# Quincy Point Garden Tours Aug. 2. Aug. 31

The Department of Natural Resources Environmental Treasures program is offering two free tours of innovative gardens in Quincy Point.

The first tour is Friday, Aug. 2 at 9 a.m. The second is Saturday, Aug. 31 at 3 p.m. On these tours, participants will meet two fascinating gardeners, Maria Andrews and Heather Doney, and learn how they transformed their small yards to create a tiny (Miyawaki) forest, pesticide free edible landscaping and native plant pollinator gardens.

Participants will have the opportunity to chat with the gardeners and learn how to create one of these gardens in their own yards. Space is limited and registration is required by emailing sowen@quincyma.gov, indicating which of the two tours you would like to attend (choose only one) and the number of people in your group. Details will be made available upon registration.

Dogs are not permitted on the tours.

The Department of Natural Resources provides free monthly nature or historic walking tours in Quincy.

To receive monthly email notices of these tours, email sowen@quincyma.gov requesting to be added to the email notification list.

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# A Message From State Auditor Diana DiZoglio

DIANA DiZOGLIO

Hello *Quincy Sun* readers,

July was a busy month for the Office of the State Auditor! We have released five audits as we continue to inform taxpayers like yourself on how our dollars are being spent.

Among the reports released was an audit of Commonwealth Corporation, also known as CommCorp. CommCorp is a workforce development agency overseen by the state's Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development (EOLWD). The agency provides professional development, education, and partnership opportunities to support communities and employers.

CommCorp is responsible for the administration and oversight of YouthWorks, a state-funded program that, through training and paid temporary work opportunities, helps young people in Massachusetts communities find and retain employment. This is a great program and our audit team looked at areas where improvements should be made to better the services and programs being provided.

Our audit found gaps in the collection and analysis of employment outcome data related to participants in YouthWorks program. Without proper employment outcome data for participants, YouthWorks and CommCorp cannot thoroughly evaluate the impact of the program. We certainly want to ensure the program offered is meeting its goals and serving its purpose. So this is an important part of the process to ensure youth are being positively impacted and tax dollars are being spent wisely and efficiently.

We made several recommendations for improvements to help the agency better function on behalf of taxpayers.

YouthWorks is an important program that has positively impacted over 3,500 young people across the Commonwealth and we want to see this program succeed. So, we will be following up in the coming months to ensure our recommendations for improvements were implemented. We look forward to continuing to work alongside of you to help make government work better.

As always, if you have any questions or would like to provide feedback to our team, please feel free to contact my office via email at auditor@massauditor.gov or by phone at (617) 727-2075. If you're ever in the State House, please feel free to visit our team in room 230!

Yours in service,
Diana DiZoglio
Auditor
Commonwealth
Of Massachusetts

## Moments in time

THE HISTORY CHANNEL

• On **Aug. 12, 2014**, actress Lauren Bacall -- whose debut film in 1944, "To Have and Have Not" (also featuring future husband Humphrey Bogart), brought her nearly instant fame -- died in New York City at 89. Bacall's notable career spanned almost seven decades and included "The Big Sleep" (1946), "How to Marry a Millionaire" (1953) and "The Mirror Has Two Faces" (1996).

• On **Aug. 13, 1906**, the all-Black infantrymen of the U.S. Army's 25th Infantry Regiment were accused of killing a white bartender and wounding a white police officer in Brownsville, Texas, despite evidence of their innocence. All were dishonorably discharged. However, a later military investigation exonerated the men and their records were restored to reflect honorable discharges, but no financial settlements were paid.

• On **Aug. 14, 1948**, the Idaho Department of Fish and Game's "beaver drop" relocation program moved 74 of the animals from Northwestern Idaho to the Chamberlain Basin in Central Idaho via parachutes from an airplane, after complaints about property damage from residents.

• On **Aug. 15, 1995**, Shannon Faulkner became the first female cadet matriculated at The Citadel, under the escort of U.S. Marshals, but dropped out within a week, citing emotional and psychological abuse and physical exhaustion. Four years later, she told the Associated Press: "I went into it knowing I may not get anything out of it. I was doing it for the next woman."

• On **Aug. 16, 1858**, President James Buchanan inaugurated the new transatlantic telegraph cable by exchanging greetings with England's Queen Victoria. Just a few weeks afterward, however, a weak signal forced a shutdown of the service.

• On **Aug. 17, 1969**, Hurricane Camille arrived at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, with winds estimated between 150 and 205 mph and 70-foot waves. One of a few category 5 hurricanes to make landfall in the last 70 years, it was responsible for the deaths of nearly 300 people and the destruction of thousands of homes in Alabama, Mississippi, Virginia and Louisiana.

• On **Aug. 18, 2007**, a German Christian aid worker was kidnapped at gunpoint by a criminal organization in the Afghan capital of Kabul, marking the first abduction of a foreigner in the capital in two years. She was released by her captors a few days later.

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# Children's Activities Aug. 1-7 At Crane Public Library

**By JULIE RINES**
**Children's Coordinator**
**Thomas Crane Public Library**

The following events and activities for children are scheduled Aug. 1-7 at the Thomas Crane Public Library.

**Concert with Tom Sieling**

Join us on Thursday, Aug. 1st at 10 a.m. for a concert with Tom Sieling. This special concert full of familiar tunes is especially geared toward infants and toddlers but will be enjoyed by preschoolers as well.

Tom has delighted tens of thousands in over thirty years of performing accompanying himself on guitar, banjo, and harmonica adding a drum machine to keep things upbeat and easy to move to. At the end of the program there will even be a chance for the kids to get a quick try playing the instruments if they'd like.

Sponsored by the Quincy Cultural Council.

**LEGO Building @ Wollaston**

Stop by the Wollaston Branch on Thursday afternoons July 11- Aug. 29 between 2 and 4 p.m. this summer for free-play LEGO building. Grab some LEGO bricks and build a boat, a spaceship, a double-decker couch - anything you want, then toss them back and try to make something else. LEGOs must be returned by the end of the program, sorry!

Parents please note regular LEGO are intended for children ages 5 and older, DUPLO and other building toys will be available for younger children.

**Poop Museum with Susie Maguire**

Children ages 5 and older who want to learn more about poop are invited to join Susie Maguire at the main library on Friday, Aug. 2nd at 2:30 p.m. for a presentation of the Poop Museum.

The Poop Museum is the place to come for those who are curious and have questions about poop, and also, if like Susie Maguire, they LOVE poop, and think it's fascinating!

Susie is a poop expert who thinks poop is THE most interesting subject in the world. She has studied poop for years and loves nothing more than sharing her expansive knowledge of poop with the people of the world.

At The Poop Museum, everyone learns many fantastic, fabulous and fun facts about human, animal and insect poop, many of which truly amaze and surprise.

Just a few of the poopers that visitors to the Poop Museum will meet, include:

- The world's messiest pooper
- The animal that has poop attack powers
- The animal that uses poop as protection
- The rainbow pooper
- The animal that has to hold its poop ALL winter long

At The Poop Museum, everyone learns A LOT, and some of the facts that are shared are mind blowing! But The Poop Museum is also full of laughter ... because ... well ... our subject is poop and Susie has found a wonderful way to blend solid science, with the hilarity that humans love, when it comes to poop.

This program is especially for children ages 5 and older accompanied by an adult. We look forward to seeing you there!

Sponsored by the Quincy Cultural Council.

**Drop in Crafts @Adams Shore**

Children ages 3-8 are invited to stop by the Adams Shore Library on Monday afternoons to do some crafting. Each week we'll have a new craft. For the week of Aug. 5th we will be making flower wreaths.

Can't join us on Mondays? Stop by Adams Shore during our open hours to pick up a craft to take and make at home, while supplies last.

**Creativity Café**

Kids ages 8-12 are invited to join us on Monday afternoons at the Main Library from 2 to 4 p.m. for our weekly Creativity Cafe! Each week we will have a variety of craft supplies available and a craft prompt to spark your creativity. For the week of August 5th we will be making origami.

**Arabic Storytime @Adams Shore**

The Library is pleased to be working with dedicated community members to offer a monthly storytime in Arabic.

Join us on Monday, August 5 at 6:15 p.m. at the Adams Shore Branch for this special program.

This program will be conducted primarily in Arabic with the intention of helping young Arabic language learners to improve their skills. This program is suitable for children up to age 7.

**Recycled Craft: Fossils @Adams Shore**

Join us at the Adams Shore Library on Tuesday, Aug. 6th at 10 a.m. for a special craft activity using recycled materials!

Children ages 3 and older, accompanied by an adult are invited to join us as we make fossils from a clay made of recycled coffee grounds.

**Rhyme Time with Mother Goose**

Join Mother Goose on Tuesday, Aug. 6 at 10 a.m. for a special storytime full of music, stories and rhymes just for our youngest friends ages 4- 36 months accompanied by an adult.

**Children's Movie: Little Mermaid @North Quincy**

Join us on Tuesday, Aug. 6 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. for an evening showing of the classic Disney animated Little Mermaid as we sing along with Ariel and her friends.

Rated: G Runtime: 83 minutes

**Puppet Tales with Leigh @ North Quincy Ages 3+**

Join us at the North Quincy Branch on Wednesday, Aug. 7th at 10 a.m. where Through Me To You Puppetry invites you to join Newton and his puppet friends for some storytime fun!

Newton and his friends take turns reading stories and singing songs with the kids. At the end of the show, the kids are invited to say "hi" to Newton. Our weekly half-hour show is geared to ages 3-7, but all are welcome!

Sponsored by the Quincy Cultural Council and the Friends of the Thomas Crane Public Library.

# Scenes From Yesterday

**THIS IS A 1915 real photo postcard view of the Wollaston Yacht Club. This view was taken at low tide from the mud flats showing the boardwalk extending out on the left to the boulevard (Quincy Shore Drive) at the end of Beach Street. This building was originally located on land near the end of Vassall Street, but when the boulevard was built it was floated out to rest on the pilings shown here. In the 1920s the clubhouse was expanded by about 50 percent on the boardwalk end. Then in 1948 the whole building was destroyed by fire except the lower level of the expansion, which is all that remains today. Founded in 1898, when it separated from the Squantum Yacht Club, the club's first Commodore was Frank Burgess, the owner of the Boston Gear Works.**

*From the Tom Galvin Postcard Collection*

## Adelaide Antwi Earns Associate Of Arts Degree

Adelaide Antwi of Quincy recently earned an Associate of Arts in General Studies from University of Maryland Global Campus in Aldephi, MD.

# Readers Forum

## We All Want Sanity Worldwide

With all due respect to Ms. Charisma Henderson, I wonder where she garnered her information regarding the current situation between Hamas, which she never mentioned, and Israel being suddenly attacked on October 7, 2023. Ms. Henderson would do well to Google a story by a New York Times reporter by the name of Isabel Kershner, along with many others from different media outlets saw videos taken by body cameras on dead Hamas fighters. Perhaps it would show why the Israeli defense force (IDF) pursued the Hamas militants into Gaza. The carnage was unspeakable.

Ms. Henderson does not mention in her article a thing about the estimated 245 hostages that were taken into Gaza. One hundred thirty hostages are still being held.

Ms. Henderson said that the reason for the establishment of Israel was because the United States and others wanted Palestine's natural resources. If she is talking about oil and natural gas it is absurd. Neither of which even makes their top ten list of exports. Fruits and nuts are their top export with stone, yes stone, down around number five.

Starting back in the 1920s and 1930s there began a huge influx of Jewish population from middle Europe emigrating to the Middle East and Palestine because of political upheaval and uncertainties. It had absolutely nothing to do with the United States or Great Britain not wanting to accept them.

Ms. Henderson also states that "the pro Palestinian protesters are being unfairly treated and they are met with counter protesters who try to stoke aggression, and if they can't, they make it up by shouting anti-Semitic things themselves and claim it came from the pro Palestinian side." I don't know what TV news outlets and newspapers Ms. Henderson is getting her information from but it's the complete opposite. Are these the same peaceful protesters that sit and block traffic so that the hard working taxpayers cannot get to work and have their taxes taken to pay for these slugs' college loans? Makes sense, right?

You may want to look up the former Harvard University President Claudine Gay and Penn University's Liz Magill and ask them why they had to resign. These bastions of higher education reeked of anti-semitism while they looked the other way.

Finally, I would like to know when Israel purposefully took up arms to attack one or all of their neighbors. To say that Israel wants to commit Genocide on the Palestinians is indefensible. Israel has had over seventy five years to accomplish that if they had wanted to but instead four years ago signed trade agreements with five Arab nations. You may also want to check on how many Palestinians work as doctors, nurses teachers and retail stores inside Israel. There are also Jews of color, too.

We all want sanity worldwide. Nobody wins a war. If you claim victory you will be loathed by your enemy for eternity. If you lose you will hate for untold generations.

To you Ms. Henderson, Shalom.

Edward Spring
Quincy

## Democracy Seems In Short Supply In Quincy

The number of Quincy voters who signed the salary repeal petition for the mayor is equivalent to 32 percent of the total number of Quincy voters in the last election, 19,069.

We collected 6,030 signatures for the mayor's salary repeal, and 4,642 for city council salary repeal. We did it over a 20-day period in the oppressive heat with hundreds of volunteers. That is a total of 10,672 Quincy voters who signed! That is a powerful message to city hall and city council.

Citizens were outraged by the salary increases post election without any taxpayer input. Additionally we just received our tax bills with an average 10 percent increase. We came to the city council meetings and were told to sit down and not speak a word or we would be escorted out.

Democracy seems to be in short supply in Quincy. Taxpayers need a voice at city council and city hall. If the mayor and city councillors have a conscience, they should repeal the raises. No one objects to fair wages in a public process. This was done behind closed doors. Let Democracy prevail!

We would like to thank the ten thousand signers (10,672). Special thanks to the hundreds of wonderful volunteers who collected signatures for the salary repeal petitions. Without your support we could not have accomplished this overwhelming success!

Let Democracy prevail!

Bonnie Gorman, RN
Quincy
A Just Quincy member

# Quincy's Yesterdays

This Week
**1997**
27 Years Ago

## Library Expansion Project Begins

The expansion and renovation of the Thomas Crane Public Library began this week with the demolition of two nearby buildings located at 68 and 88 Washington St.

Once down, the buildings will clear the way for the construction of the new library wing and renovation of the Coletti Building which was built in 1939. The project is slated to begin next March.

The renovation and restoration of the Richardson Building, a National Landmark constructed in 1882 and the Aiken addition erected in 1908 will follow.

Funding provided by a state grant awarded last September, and a city bond issue passed in February will aid in the cost of construction. Additional funding is being raised by the Crane Library Foundation, Inc., whose goal is $1 million. To date, $260,000 has been donated.

### CRASH VICTIMS REMEMBERED WITH FONDNESS

A beloved Quincy school teacher and popular high school student killed in a tragic car accident last week in Maine were remembered for their kindness, selflessness and zest for life as they were laid to rest this week.

Robert Garner, 57, of Weymouth, a librarian/visual arts teacher at Broad Meadows Middle School, and Jonathan P. Barrieau, 16, who would have begun his sophomore year at Quincy High School next month, were killed in an auto accident on the Maine Turnpike.

"Bob never said 'I'm too busy or I can't help you,'" Broad Meadows teacher Donna Willoughby recalled fighting back tears. "When I was trying to learn computers, he was so patient and was real helpful. He wanted to make you feel you could do it."

Willoughby, a seventh grade social studies teacher who knew Garner for 10 years, also knew Barrieau whom she taught several years ago.

"Jon just had a that winning smile, a real enthusiasm for things, a true zest for life. He was peppy and full of life and was working on getting focused and growing up. . . They'll both be missed."

### QUINCYISMS

Quincy residents **Scott Shepherd** (criminal justice) and **Jennifer Nania** (accounting) were accepted by the Day Division of Hesser College in Manchester, N.H. for the fall semester. . . **Police Chief Francis Mullen** and Citizens Bank Regional President **John O'Connor** were recipients of the Good Scout Award at a ceremony aboard the USS Salem. Mullen, who has served as chief for the last seven years, is retiring Aug. 31 closing out a 41-year police career. . . **Julie Ann McCole** of Quincy received a doctor of medicine degree from the University of Massachusetts Medical School. . . . **Katy Deady** was on the Dean's List for the spring semester at the University of Vermont. . . . **Cara M. Mulcahy** was named to the Dean's List at the University of New England for the spring semester. . . **Nancy Kiley** graduated from Simmons College in Boston with a master of science degree in communications management. . . **Fr. Richard Wilson** recently celebrated his first Mass at St. Ann's Church in Wollaston. Fr. Wilson, 29, will serve at Holy Family Church in Taunton until the end of September when he will travel to Rome to complete his studies. . . Weymouth Savings Bank announced it is acquiring a parcel of land at 370-382 Quincy Ave., Quincy, the site known as Eddie's Diner/Motel. The bank planned to open a branch at the site. . . The Bernard A. MacDougall Memorial was dedicated in front the Parker Elementary School in North Quincy in memory of the Quincy resident who was killed in the Korean War. . . .Manet Community Health Center offered a free hypnosis session for smoking cessation at Quincy Hospital. . . Radio station WJDA presented 50 days of giveaways with the top prize of a trip to two to Disney World. To participate, listeners were asked to place a WJDA bumper sticker on their back window and tune to WJDA weekdays at 7:10 a.m. If you hear your license plate called you have 50 minutes to call in and claim your prize. . . South Shore Buick, 50 Adams St., advertised "pre-owned values" including a 1993 Buick Park Avenue Ultra ($15,995) and a 1997 Chevy Cavalier ($13,495). . . . **Chris Bregoli** of North Quincy High School batted .364 and started in left field for the New England Mariners 16 and under team in a USA/ Junior Olympic Tournament in Ft. Myers, FL.

# Arts & Entertainment

## Fun Events For Adults, Families At Milton Public Library

By JEAN HLADY
Milton Public Library

During the month of August, the Milton Public Library is offering some fun events for adults and families to enjoy.

Our **MA Collaborative Job Series for 50+** people will start up again in August to run through December. There are two virtual meetings each month held via Zoom, and they will happen in August on (Wednesdays) Aug. 7 to discuss the topic: "Self-Assessment," and Aug. 21, to discuss the topic: "Career Story." Both meetings start at 9:30 a.m.

If you are unemployed and actively looking, underemployed, seeking a new career direction, re-entering the job market after a long employment gap, or recently retired and looking for your "Encore Career," this networking group program is perfect for you! Remember, 85 percent of jobs are found through networking!

Join us in a professional forum for networking with peers in a safe and comfortable environment conducive to developing new relationships and developing skills and strategies to help in your career transition. Each meeting features a new topic.

Each biweekly meeting is facilitated by Deborah Hope, MBA, PCIC, an experienced executive career coach. Deborah is a former Fortune 500 executive, investment banker and entrepreneur. Deborah has coached with Harvard Business School Executive Education programs and the Massachusetts Conference for Women. Deborah has facilitated 50+ job seekers networking groups since 2016.

The series is sponsored by the Friends of the Milton Public Library and is managed by the Tewksbury Public Library, with a large group of MA public libraries now participating. Advance registration is required to receive the Zoom link - sign up at www.tinyurl.com/library50plusjobseekers. We hope you might join us!

On Tuesday, Aug. 6, at 7 p.m. in the Keys Community Room, there will be another **Adult Yoga class** with instructor Sheila Armstrong. Join others for this free program which is a one-hour fluid yoga experience.

Space is limited, so you must sign up in advance to attend. Go to https://tinyurl.com/5x64c8zp.

Then on Tuesday, Aug. 13, at 7 p.m., Milton Public Library is offering a **virtual talk** via Zoom called: **"The Rescue and Rehab of Sea Turtles on Cape Cod"** with underwater diver/photographer and naturalist Bob Michelson. Join him to learn about young sea turtles who are stranded on north-facing beaches of Cape Cod. These "cold stunned" turtles are near death and suffer from pneumonia, as well as injuries to their bodies, or both.

The program follows photographer Michelson, who was contracted by NOAA's National Marine Fisheries service to document the entire process, from rescuing sea turtles along Cape Cod beaches through their medical care and rehabilitation at the New England Aquarium sea turtle facility, to their release back into the environment. Exclusive underwater photos will be shown, so please sign on to learn more! Advance registration is required to receive the Zoom link. Sign up at https://tinyurl.com/ycxa63re.

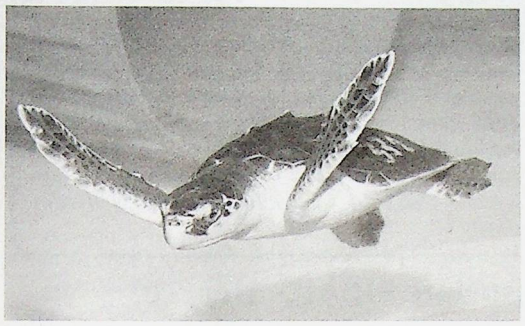
There will be a **Wednesday Monthly Movie** held on Aug. 14 starting at 6:30 p.m. in the Keys Community Room and the title is: **"5,000 Blankets."** This is simply a wonderful film. It stars Anna Camp and Rob Mayes, and the heartwarming story is inspired by the real events that led to the "Philip's Wish" Foundation.

The movie follows a determined woman, Cyndi Bunch (Camp), from Fort Worth, TX, who sets out to find her husband, Bobby (Mayes) after he's had a mental breakdown and has gone missing. Along with her son, Phillip (played by Carson Minniear), the pair are alarmed to see how many unhoused people there are on the streets of Fort Worth. This realization sparks a "movement of compassion" to help as many people as possible, right before Christmas when the weather is unusually cold and unforgiving. This is a beautiful tale of redemption and hope, and the main characters are two incredibly strong people with the biggest hearts.

Please join us for a unique experience to watch the events unfold - you will not regret attending! The film was released in 2023, is rated PG-13 for difficult scenes of homelessness, a body in the morgue, and some bullying and fights, and it is 1 hour, 45 minutes long. No signup is required to attend - just come!

The **"Booked for Lunch"** group is a silent book club, with Assistant Director Sara Truog, and it is a half hour of socializing and eating lunch together, and a half hour of silent reading time in the MPL Conference Room. The club will meet again on Monday, Aug. 19, from 12 noon to 1 p.m.

**PROGRAMS IN AUGUST at Milton Public Library include an Adult Yoga class with instructor Sheila Armstrong on Tuesday, Aug. 6, at 7 p.m. in the Keys Community Room.**



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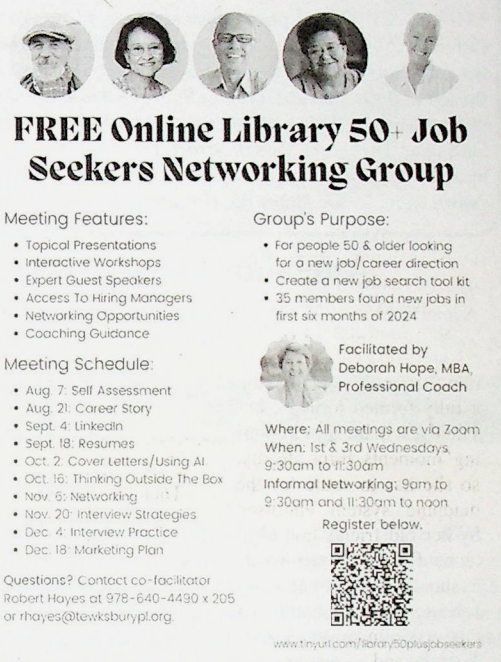


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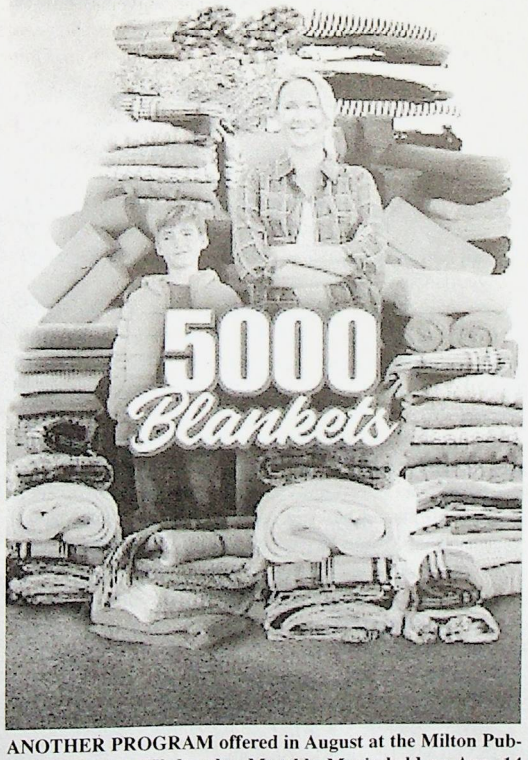


**ANOTHER PROGRAM offered in August at the Milton Public Library is a Wednesday Monthly Movie held on Aug. 14 starting at 6:30 p.m. in the Keys Community Room and the title is: "5,000 Blankets."**

We'll talk about books and share our top picks (and maybe the duds too). Participants should bring a bag lunch and a book to read, and advance registration is required to attend. Sign up at: https://tinyurl.com/mr3v6d6v.

The final August program for adults is scheduled for Tuesday, Aug. 20, at 7 p.m. virtually and it will be an enjoyable "armchair travel" and nature talk called **"Wales - Castles, Butterflies & More."** The speaker is naturalist Joy Marzolf and you will learn about the lovely country of Wales in this online talk.

Although part of the present day United Kingdom, Wales is a country of ancient origins and wild lands. Stone monuments from its pre-historic past still can be found across parts of the country today, along with ancient castles, remains of magnificent abbeys and even Roman ruins. The wild nature of this land can also be found in abundance, from the beautiful and colorful moors and butterflies of the

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Isle of Angelsea to the numerous birds and other wildlife of the coastal wetlands. Join speaker Joy and host Jean Hlady for lovely photos of castles, butterflies, birds and much more in a virtual journey across Wales. Advance registration is required. Sign up at https://tinyurl.com/224b9ee9

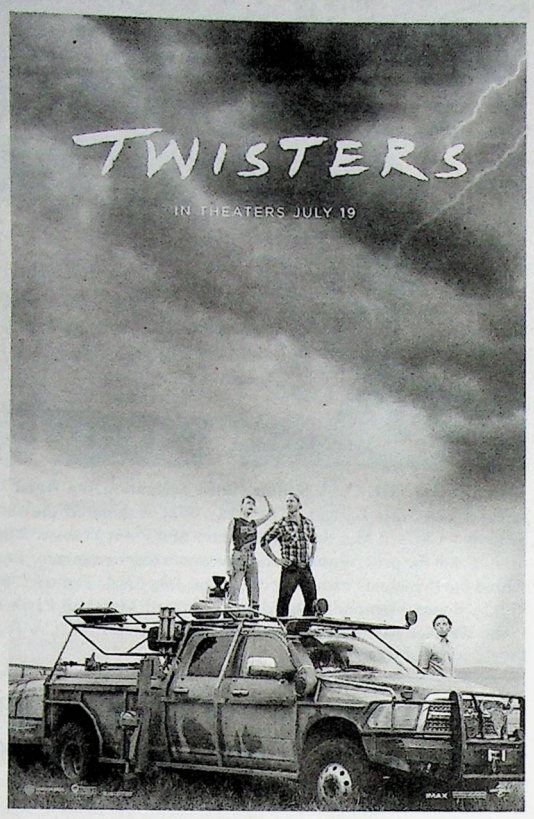
All of these events are kindly sponsored by the Friends of the Milton Public Library and are free and open to all. The library is located at 476 Canton Ave., Milton. For more information email jhlady@milton.ocln.org or call the Reference Dept. at 617-898-4964. The Milton Public Library website is www.miltonlibrary.org and we encourage you to visit us in August for a fun program!

# Movie Review: 'Twisters'

**By BOB GARVER**

It's usually at the end of the review that I talk about a film's MPAA rating, but I'll twist it up for "Twisters." Or rather, for its 1996 predecessor "Twister" and its all-time terribly-worded rating justification. The film was rated PG-13 for "intense depiction of very bad weather." Yes, the depiction was intense, and yes, the weather was very, very bad, but those twisters were so violent and destructive that "weather" seems like the wrong word to describe them.

They may as well have used the term "extreme windiness." The twisters are similarly violent and destructive in "Twisters," which is much more sensibly rated PG-13 for "intense action and peril, some language and injury images."




The new film stars Daisy Edgar-Jones as Kate and Glen Powell as Tyler, two storm chasers with different reasons for traveling Oklahoma looking for tornadoes. She's trying to set up a 3-D mapping system that will help scientists understand how tornadoes form and thus save lives.

She used to think she could rig up a chemical reaction that could actually stop a fully-formed tornado, but a field test in the film's opening moments turns deadly, so she has to settle for the mapping system endorsed by her old friend Javi (Anthony Ramos). Tyler wants to shoot fireworks into a tornado to make a cool visual that gets him subscribers on Youtube and increase his celebrity so he can sell tacky merchandise. Kate is glad to have the moral high ground, or so she thinks.

As the film progresses, Tyler shows he has more layers than Kate initially thought. He's a learned meteorologist and a big-hearted humanitarian. It also turns out that Kate may have jumped on the wrong bandwagon. She and Javi are noble, but their team's sponsor isn't. Kate and Tyler find that they like chasing the storms together, helping recovery efforts together, and just plain spending time together. Cute squabbling turns to cute flirting. Please tell me it's not much of a spoiler to find out that there's romantic chemistry between the smoldering cowboy and the beautiful scientist.

Then there are the twister sequences themselves. I used to be terrified of tornadoes, but the fear mostly dropped off when I hit my teens. This movie may rekindle some of that fear, especially after the opening sequence. The rest of the sequences are fine. I was never unconvinced that there was danger afoot. One thing I knew going in was that twisters, while they can form quickly, don't lend themselves to jump scares, so I was wondering what the film would have to do to push my buttons that way. There are two effective jump scares that made me scream for half a second and then laugh for several full ones.

You can probably guess the kind of experience that "Twisters" provides. It's a PG-13 disaster movie. The action scenes, while fraught with mortal danger, aren't going to feature anyone getting ripped limb from limb. The comedic and romantic scenes are perfectly predictable as well, with Edger-Jones and Powell having the pleasing chemistry I knew they'd have.

Of the characters that survive among Kate, Tyler, Javi, and Tyler's colorful team, I wouldn't mind seeing these characters in more movies. I'm sure the filmmakers can come up with more creative storm scenarios. For now, this was exactly the movie I expected it to be, but I had a reasonably good time watching very bad weather.

Grade: B-

"Twisters" is rated PG-13 for intense action and peril, some language and injury images. Its running time is 117 minutes.

# Social

**HAPPY 73rd ANNIVERSARY – Robert and Inez Tombari, lifelong residents of Quincy, will celebrate their 73rd wedding anniversary Aug. 5. They were married Aug. 5, 1951 in St. Mary's Church in Quincy. They are the parents of two children - daughter Lisa Turner and her husband Richard of Hull and son Robert Tombari, Jr. and his wife Karon of Plymouth. They also have three grandchildren.** *Courtesy Photo*

# 151 Quincy Students On UMass Amherst Dean's List

The University of Massachusetts Amherst announces 151 students from Quincy are on the Dean's List for the spring semester.

They are:

John Alessandro, Jason Au-Duong, Philip Bryden Austin, Kerry Joan Balerna, Joseph Connor Bates, Kiyan Lee Bias, Oleksiy Bielov, Julia Bo, Kathleen Bowden, Andrew Wayne Bradley, Benyapa Bunrueng, Jennie A. Burgess, Caroline Claire Campbell, Christopher Chan, Natalie Chan, Samantha Chan, Corey Nicholas Chaparro, Anna Yuan Yi Chen, Arleena Chen, Arnold H. Chen, Donna Chen, Hanying Chen, Helen Chen, Jeffrey Chen, Jessica K. Chen, Rou Chen, Sho Chen, Stanley Chen, Xiaolei Chen, Yanling Chen, YingYi Chen, Yumi Chen, Jimmy Chu, Charles Thomas Clifford, Benjamin Antonio Carvalho Correia, Alessandro Cosgrove, Michael Mattew Costello, Rebekah Dang.

Caitlin Dinh, Zachary Montalto Donaghue, Aisling Donoghue, Samuel Ribeiro Garcez Doria, Vetty-Sara Dort, Collin Patrick Driscoll, Abigail Rose Dunn, Jasmine Duong, Michael D. Duong, Nicole Boulos Fakhri, Matthew Steven Fitzgerald, Meaghan Elizabeth Foley, Teng Chan Fong, Liana Gao, Iain Gillespie, Cassandra Elizabeth Gordon, Eric Yong Guan, Ashna Guha, Ilkim Gumus, Nhi Thuy Ha, John Andrew Hall, Matthew John Hawley, Emilia A. Henry, Garrett Hinkley, Grace Margaret Hobin, Jasmine Horburapa, Bonnie Huang, Dingjie Huang, Sandy Ting Huang, XiaoYan Huang, Michelle Huynh, Upasana Joshi, Natalia Anna Kepczynski, Emily Kuang, Quinn H. LaMotte, Huong Le, Kevin Van Le, Eric S. Lee.

Sabrina Leung, Huoer Li, Michelle Li, Thomas Patrick Li, Sara Liang, Hsuanyu Lin, Jerry Lin, Selina Lin, Tina Lin, Xin Yi Lin, XinKai Lin, Yi Lin, Yuanxin Lu, Thu Gia Luong, Maggie Chen Ma, Meadhbh Patrick McDermott, James Ronald McGillicuddy, Jiacheng Mei, Matthew James Miranda, Colleen Mary Moran, Quinn Richard Murphy, Thomas Christopher Murphy, Phuong Vu Nam Nghiem, Huu Phuc Nguyen, Brigid Reilly Norris, Morgan Elizabeth Novak, Adam Patrick Bolger O'Neill, Amanda Lee O'Neill, Maxwell Owusu-Mensah, Mengxin Pan, Justin Pham, Tiffany Pham, John Richard Pickering, Thomas C. Potts, Zoe Olivia Rakarich, Owen Arthur Rigby, Kexin Shi, Fiona Grace Smith.

Jinglin Tan, Steven Tan, Shirley La Tang, Gavin Toland, Lindsey Mae Toland, Tracey Le Tran, Twuyen Tran, Eileen Kelly Trenholm, Nelson Ka Kit Tsang, Vanessa Ting Tsang, Jason Vo, Kaitlyn Vo, Jenny Wan

Ming Wei Wang Jr., Hang Weng, Jacqueline Victoria White, Vivian Mary Wilson, William Akira Wismar, Amanda M. Wong, Jiawei Wu, Josie Wu, Justin Wu, Lixin Xu, Tammie Xu, Timothy Shi Xu, Jinying Yang, Nicholas Ram Yazbek, Jocelyn Alexia Yee, Dongpei H. Zhang, Jacky Zhang, Jimmy Zhao, Jesse Zheng, Menglin Zheng, Joyce Zhong, Gina Zou, Hanxiang Zou and Linda Zou.

# David Chesnut Jazz Festival Aug. 10 At Historic New England's Eustis Estate

Historic New England and Mandorla Music invite the public to an all-day summer festival on the lawn at the Eustis Estate in Milton. The second annual David Chesnut Jazz Festival will be held Saturday, Aug. 10 from noon to 7 p.m.

The festival features a range of jazz styles performed by an eclectic group of musicians from across the greater Boston area.

Schedule to perform are:

- 1 p.m. Adventure Time Trio
- 2 p.m. Jesse Taitt Trio
- 3 p.m. Devon Gates Quintet
- 4 p.m. Temidayo Balogun + Akéde
- 5 p.m. Sheryl Bailey Quartet

The Boston Outdoor Preschool Network will host fun family-friendly activities starting at noon.

Bring your own chairs and blankets for lawn seating. The festival is outdoors so dress appropriately for the weather. Food and beverages will be provided for purchase, including Fresh Food Generation and Dorchester Brewing Company. Tickets are $15 for members; $20 for nonmembers.

The festival takes place rain or shine. Call (617) 994-6600 for more information. Sponsored by the Milton Cultural Council.

David Chesnut was a coachman and chauffeur who worked at the Eustis Estate from the 1890s until 1905. He had a lifelong passion for music as both a performer and connoisseur, and he was active in the community. The David Chesnut Jazz festival celebrates the power of art and community while helping to tell a more comprehensive story about the people who were part of the Eustis Estate.

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# WHAT'S COOKING
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## *Marie & Suzie*
By MARIE D'OLIMPIO and SUZIE FALCO

## Stacey's No-Bake Date Energy Bars

**By MARIE**

Stacey is at it again!! This time she has a recipe for a No-Bake Energy Bar, and isn't summer a wonderful time of year to have this no-bake recipe. Try this easy, tasty recipe and see for yourself!

**Ingredients and Directions:**

**12 Medjool dates (pitted)**
**2 cups granola (any kind you like)**
**1 cup nut butter (any kind you like)**
**2 cups chocolate chips**
**1/3 cup coconut oil**

Pit and split dates and line them on a cookie sheet with parchment paper.

Line another piece of parchment paper on top of dates to flatten them out and then remove the parchment paper.

Sprinkle granola on top of dates; then spread peanut butter on top of granola.

Add coconut oil to chocolate chips and melt in microwave.

Spread melted chocolate over mixture.

Refrigerate 1 hour.

## Italian Cannelini Bean Salad

**By SUZIE**

This quick salad is sure to please.

Beans contain fiber, protein, and lots of important nutrients (including potassium and 7 grams of protein) that does a body good.

Adding your other vegetables along with good quality oil makes this salad a filling and delicious quick meal to bring to the office for your lunchtime break, as well as great as a quick and easy dinner.

**Ingredients and Directions:**

**2 cans (15 1/2 ounces each) cannellini beans, drained and rinsed**
**2 small zucchini, trimmed, quartered lengthwise, and thinly sliced on the diagonal**
**1 cup of green beans**
**1 cup chopped tomatoes**
**1 clove garlic, minced**
**2 tablespoons minced red onion**
**2 ounces fresh Parmesan cheese, crumbled (1/2 cup)**
**1/2 cup fresh basil leaves, torn**
**Grated zest and juice of 1 lemon**
**1/4 cup olive oil tablespoon olive oil**
**Sea salt and pepper to taste**

Mix the oil, lemon, salt, pepper, and garlic in a small bowl.

Spoon over beans and veggies.

Sprinkle with cheese.

Adjust seasonings if needed.

This tastes even better the next day!

## Deadline Aug. 1 for FSA Committee Nominations

The deadline to submit nominations for farmers and ranchers to serve on local U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) county committees is quickly approaching. These committees make important decisions about how federal farm programs are administered locally. All nomination forms for the 2024 election must be postmarked or received in the local FSA office by Aug. 1.

The 2024 elections for Bristol/Norfolk/Suffolk county committee members will occur in Local Administrative Areas (LAA) 1 and 5. LAAs are elective areas for FSA committees in a single county or multi-county jurisdiction. The City of Quincy is part of LAA 5.

Agricultural producers may be nominated for candidacy for the county committee if they:

- Participate or cooperate in a USDA program.
- Reside in the LAA that is up for election this year.

A cooperating producer is someone who has provided information about their farming or ranching operation to FSA, even if they have not applied or received program benefits.

Individuals may nominate themselves or others. USDA encourages minority, women, urban and beginning farmers or ranchers to nominate, vote and hold office.

For more information, visit fsa.usda.gov/elections.


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**Public Access Channel 8**

Thursday, August 1
6:00pm: Bethany Congregational Church
8:00pm: QHS Class of 2024 Graduation

Friday, August 2
11:30am: LIVE: Currently in Quincy
7:00pm: AM Quincy: State Rep. Tackey Chan

Saturday, August 3
12:00pm: Thomas Crane Library Presents
8:30pm: Friends Fridays at RGA

Sunday, August 4
11:30am: Quincy Point Church Good News
1:00pm: The Call

Monday, August 5
11:30am: LIVE: Currently in Quincy
8:00pm: NQHS Class of 2024 Graduation

Tuesday, August 6
7:00am: LIVE: AM Quincy with Joe Catalano
7:00pm: AM Quincy: Mayor Thomas Koch

Wednesday, August 7
6:00pm: Quincy Point Church Good News
7:00pm: The Call

**Government Access Channel 9**

Thursday, August 1
4:00pm: Board of License Commissioners 7/16
5:00pm: Zoning Board of Appeals 7/23

Friday, August 2
8:00pm: Quincy Planning Board: 6/26
10:00pm: Concerts @the Crane: Roman Rudnytsky

Saturday/Sunday, August 3/4
10:00am: Good Deeds Quarterly Update
10:30am: In the Know: Norfolk County Sheriff
4:00pm: Board of License Commissioners 7/16
5:00pm: Zoning Board of Appeals 7/23
7:00pm: Health Links: Aging Strong
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6:00pm: Home Sweet Healthy Homes

Tuesday, August 6
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Wednesday, August 7
6:00pm: LIVE: Planning Board

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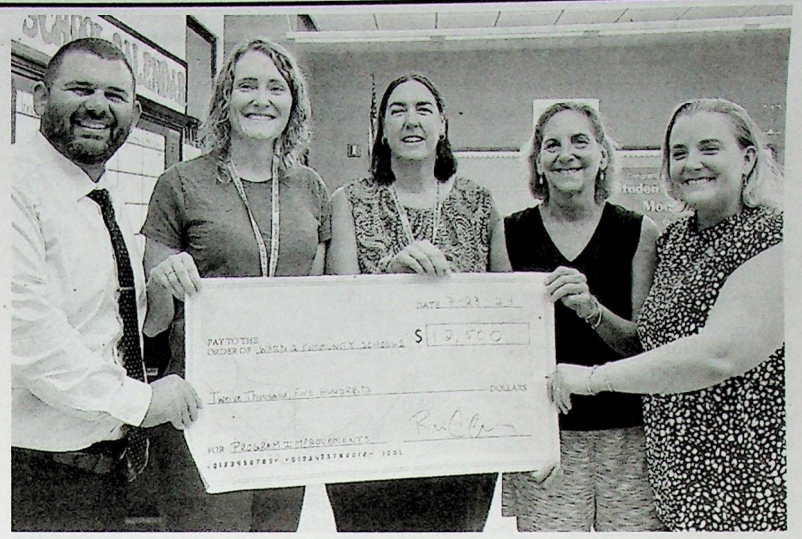

**THANKS TO THE CITY'S State House delegation, the Ward 2 Civic Association was included in the FY24 State Budget. This year, W2CA donated the funds to the Ward 2 Community Schools – Clifford Marshall Elementary and Point Webster Middle. Each school received just over $6,000 for programming and classroom improvements. Board Members of the W2CA presented the Principals with their checks on July 23rd. From left to right: Ward 2 City Councillor/ W2CA Board Member Richard Ash, Clifford Marshall Elementary Principal Heather Patch, Point Webster Middle Principal Christine Barrett, W2CA Treasurer Ann Croke and W2CA President Nancy DeLisle.** *Courtesy Photo*

## MA House Passes Presciption Drug Access, Pharmacy Benefit Manager Oversight Bill

The Massachusetts House of Representatives last week passed major legislation entitled An Act promoting access and affordability of prescription drugs, which protects patients and independent pharmacists by regulating the pharmacy benefit manager (PBM) industry; by banning many of the industry's worst business practices; by increasing transparency into PBMs and drug manufacturers through the Health Policy Commission (HPC) and the Center for Health Information and Analysis (CHIA); and by reducing or eliminating copays for certain chronic conditions.

"Many folks in Massachusetts face cost barriers in access to the medications they are prescribed, especially for many of our most vulnerable residents who live with chronic disease. This bill aims to reduce the out-of-pocket cost of certain lifesaving drugs and ban certain business practices that are commonly used by PBMs to increase their own profits at the expense of patients," said House Speaker Ronald J. Mariano (D-Quincy). "Critically, this legislation also builds on the four major health care bills that the House has already passed this session, all of which are focused on increasing access to quality, affordable health care for folks across the Commonwealth. I want to thank Chairman John Lawn for his tireless work on this bill, as well as all my colleagues in the House for recognizing the need for action on this issue."

"This legislation establishes greater government oversight and accountability for pharmacy benefit managers," said Rep. Tackey Chan (D-Quincy). "With only six companies that negotiate over 90 percent of all prescriptions filled in this country, it is imperative that there is greater oversight to ensure they are acting in good faith and rebates are passed to consumers. This legislation also expands insurance coverage for lifesaving medications for chronic conditions including asthma, diabetes, and heart disease. I'm proud of the work the House did on this important legislation, over the long run this important legislation will reduce costs for consumers."

"I was glad to vote alongside my colleagues to pass this critical bill regulating and auditing the pharmacy benefit manager industry and reducing cost barriers for Massachusetts residents to access their prescription medications," said Rep. Bruce J. Ayers (D-Quincy). "By banning bad practices and increasing transparency of PBM operations and revenue, this legislation puts patient protections and quality care first."

Following a Federal Trade Commission (FTC) report issued earlier this month which details the undue influence of PBMs on the prescription drug market, the bill passed this week licenses PBMs operating in the Commonwealth, subjects them to the Massachusetts Division of Insurance (DOI) and health insurer audits, and curbs some of their most abusive practices.

As the FTC report details, the PBM industry has experienced significant horizontal consolidation and vertical integration, with five of the top six PBMs vertically integrated with insurers, pharmacies, and provider services.

Due to decades of mergers and acquisitions, the three largest PBMs now manage nearly 80 percent of all prescriptions filled in the United States, while six PBMs manage more than 90 percent of total U.S. prescription claims. A mostly unregulated industry, PBMs wield enormous power and influence over patients' access to drugs and the prices they pay, negotiating the terms and conditions for access to prescription drugs for hundreds of millions of Americans.

The bill passed by the House requires PBMs to be licensed with DOI every three years. PBMs will also be required to pay an application fee of $25,000. It also mandates that DOI audit PBMs once every three years and provides for periodic audits by health insurers who contract with PBMs.

Spread pricing is a practice by which a PBM pays a pharmacy a lower price for a dispensed drug than the price a health insurer agrees to pay for the drug. This allows PBMs to use their significant market power to increase their own profits, rather than pass along savings to consumers.

To ensure protection of consumers and pharmacies, the bill passed by the House prohibits PBM spread pricing, as well as point of sale fees and retroactive fees, and imposes a 10 percent surcharge on PBMs that engage in these banned practices.

PBMs also use their market power to negotiate significant discounts, called "rebates," from pharmaceutical manufacturing companies on the list price of prescription drugs. These savings are generally shared by PBMs and health insurers. Rebates retained by PBMs are another source of profits for PBMs, while health insurers claim their

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# Social Security Matters

## Ask Rusty – I Was Self-Employed And Don't Have Enough Credits For Social Security

By RUSSELL GLOOR
National Social Security Advisor
at the AMAC Foundation, The Non-Profit Arm
of the Association of Mature American Citizens

**Dear Rusty:** For a thirty-year period, I was making a living as an independent contractor and freelancer. I was working on behalf of myself. Thus, I was only paying state and federal taxes when applied. Due to changes in the employment landscape, I wish to apply for benefits at age sixty-four, as receiving said SS benefits would serve as supplemental income to what I would be receiving from outside sources.

I recently discovered through the SSA that I do not have enough "points" to apply for Social Security benefits. What would be the method to obtain those required points in order to receive benefits? **Signed:** ***Needing Points***

**Dear Needing:** Social Security is an earned benefit, and eligibility is attained by contributing to SS through FICA payroll taxes, or Self-Employment (SECA) tax on your net earnings from self-employment, over your lifetime. You must have at least 40 "quarters of credit" to be eligible for Social Security benefits – essentially you must work one quarter of each year earning at least a specified amount during that quarter to earn one credit, and you can earn a maximum of 4 credits for each year you work. The amount of earnings per credit varies each year, but for 2024, work earnings of $1,730 give you one credit (annual work earnings of $6,920 earn 4 credits). Usually, you must contribute to Social Security for about 10 years to be eligible for benefits. You must have earned at least 40 quarter credits to collect Social Security retirement benefits/ If you have less than 40 you are not eligible for SS retirement benefits.

For self-employed individuals, SECA SS tax is paid when you file your federal income tax return - you pay into Social Security when filing your annual Self-Employment income tax return (the self-employed must pay both the employee and the employer portion of Social Security tax). If you did not file an income tax return for each year over your lifetime you were self-employed, you didn't earn any SS credits for that year. You pay SECA tax on your NET earnings from self-employment (after all business expenses are deducted).

If you are just a few credits short of the 40 necessary to be eligible for benefits, you can still earn those extra credits needed by working and paying SS FICA or SECA taxes on your work earnings. For each $1,730 earned this year, you will earn one SS credit, up to a maximum of 4 per year. But you must contribute to Social Security from those earnings – if you work as a company employee you will have FICA taxes withheld from your earnings, and if you are still self-employed you would need to pay SECA taxes on net earnings over $6,920 when you file your self-employment income tax return. You would need to do that for as long as it takes for you to attain the minimum 40 quarter credits needed to be eligible for Social Security retirement benefits. (FYI: you cannot "buy" the extra points needed; you need to earn them by working and contributing to Social Security from your earnings).

One final point: whenever SS benefits are claimed before one's full retirement age (FRA) Social Security's "earnings test" applies. The earnings test limits how much you can earn from working before some of your SS benefits are taken away. The earnings test no longer applies after you reach your FRA and, if you turned 64 this year, your FRA is 67. Self-employed individuals are also subject to an hourly limit of 15 to 45 working hours per month in their first year of early retirement.

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# Legislature Passes FY 2025 Budget

The Legislature recently enacted a $58 billion budget for Fiscal Year 2025 (FY25), resolving differences between the versions of the budget passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate earlier this year. The FY25 conference committee report maintains fiscal responsibility while delivering historic levels of investment in every level of education, transportation regional equity, workforce development and health care, reflecting the Legislature's ongoing commitment to delivering on affordability for residents and economic competitiveness for the Commonwealth.

"This budget takes a fiscally responsible approach to making meaningful investments in areas of significant need. I'm proud of the fact that the FY25 budget allocates key funding to better support Massachusetts students and families, to increase access to affordable health care, and to provide for a safer and more reliable public transportation system," said House Speaker Ronald J. Mariano (D-Quincy). "I want to thank Chairman Aaron Michlewitz and my colleagues in the House, along with our partners in the Senate, for their hard work and critical input throughout this process, a collective effort that has helped to produce a strong and responsible FY25 budget."

"Drafting a budget is always a collaborative effort between local officials, Quincy residents, and legislators to identify the areas most in need of support and find ways to provide the necessary funding," said Sen. John F. Keenan (D-Quincy). "I want to thank everyone who played a part in this year's efforts, which I am confident will do so much good for the City of Quincy. Whether its education, public safety, transportation, libraries, seniors, or local veteran and social service programs, there are investments in here that benefit everyone."

"I am proud to have voted to pass a balanced budget for Fiscal Year 2025, meeting the needs of the Commonwealth and our local communities," said Rep. Tackey Chan (D-Quincy). "I am grateful to have worked with the Quincy delegation to have secured direct financial assistance for the City that will benefit our schools, libraries, senior center, public safety offices, and valuable not-for-profit agencies that serve our residents."

"I was pleased to join my colleagues in passing the 2025 Fiscal Year Budget, with important investments for critical areas of need across the Commonwealth, including our healthcare system, public transportation, early and continuing education, and much more," said Rep. Bruce J. Ayers (D-Quincy). "I am particularly glad to see the inclusion of line items that are directed towards Quincy, such as the expansion of ferry service out of Marina Bay, equipment and training enhancements to our local police and fire departments, and funding for important social service organizations like Quincy Community Action Programs and Quincy Asian Resources, Inc."

The FY25 budget recommends a total of $58 billion in spending, a $2 billion increase over the Fiscal Year 2024 (FY24) General Appropriations Act (GAA). This spending recommendation is based on a tax revenue estimate of $41.5 billion for FY25, which is $208 million less than revenues assumed in the FY24 GAA. This represents nearly flat growth, as agreed upon during the consensus revenue process in January, plus $1.3 billion in revenue generated from the Fair Share surtax.

As the Commonwealth adjusts to a changing economic landscape and ongoing tax revenue volatility, state officials said the FY25 budget adheres to disciplined and responsible fiscal stewardship. It does not raise taxes, nor does it draw down available reserves from the stabilization fund or the transitional escrow fund, while at the same time judicially utilizing one-time resources to maintain balance. The FY25 budget continues responsible and sustainable fiscal planning for the future by continuing to grow the Rainy Day Fund, already at a historic high of over $8 billion, to an anticipated balance of roughly $9 billion at the close of FY25.

The Quincy delegation successfully advocated for targeted investments in Quincy's community organizations, public safety systems, and transportation infrastructure. Quincy will receive a three percent increase in their Unrestricted General Government Aid, with an allocation of $23,511,939.

Quincy investments include:

- $100,000 for improvements, preparedness and operations for ferry service at Squantum Point Park, as well as expanded MBTA investments into operation costs for the ferry, including funding ferry service in Quincy on the weekends starting July 1, 2025
- $100,000 for Quincy Community Action Programs, Inc. for homelessness prevention services
- $100,000 for Germantown Neighborhood Center
- $100,000 for Quincy Asian Resources, Inc.
- $50,000 for the Friends of Faxon Park
- $900,000 for seasonal staff at metropolitan beaches including in Wollaston Beach in Quincy
- $30,000 for the Penn's Hill Neighborhood Association, Inc.
- $30,000 for the Ward 2 Civic Association
- $500,000 for the Adams Presidential Center in Quincy
- $1,000,000 for the New England Aquarium Corporation for upgrades and other improvements including those necessary for the operation of facilities in both Boston and Quincy
- $40,000 for the Chica Project to support the organization's innovative, trauma-informed and cul-

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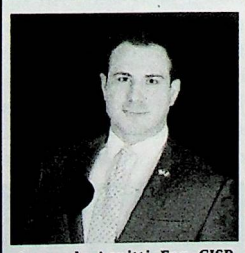

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• Local Preference applies to 70% of units, eligibility criteria as follows:
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• Tenants shall be selected in accordance with the Tenant Selection Plan for the Project submitted to the City of Quincy.

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# Real Estate

## Quincy Real Estate Transactions July 22 - July 26

Transactions are compiled by the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds

| SELLER | BUYER | AMOUNT | ADDRESS |
|---|---|---|---|
| Lloyd Fontaine | Park Street Realty Partners LLC | $629,900 | 38 Carruth Street |
| Frances Ortiz | Jackie Chan | $485,000 | 185 Quincy Shore Drive |
| Quincy 4-6 South LLC | Ronak Patel & Samantha Velasquez | $910,000 | 6 South Street |
| 92-102 Sagamore Street | Wei & Jiangjing Zeng | $3,000,000 | 92 Sagamore Street |
| Lucy Realty LLC | French Street Quincy LLC | $930,000 | 55-57 French Street |
| Joseph DeAngelis | Hamish Peters | $330,000 | 64 Shennen Street |
| Ishwar Mahadeo | Chung Wong | $805,000 | 8 Mound Street |
| Tonia Coletti | Manee Dusittanporn | $512,000 | 155 Kendrick Avenue |
| Barbara & Michael Garrity | Michael Garrity | $250,000 | 380 Sea Street |
| Alfred & Sylvia Godfrey & Sp MSTR Celeste Tomori | Joana Pavli & Daniel Zere | $870,000 | 53 Loring Street |
| Bernadette Zyglewicz | Winnie Yu | $340,000 | 185 Quincy Shore Drive |
| James Bolger & Janine Wilson | Berhane Aregay | $450,000 | 15 Bower Road |
| Christopher Hickey | Qi & Richard Wu | $700,000 | 11 Newfield Street |
| Dan Che | Endri Hoxha | $350,000 | 200 Cove Way |
| Thao & To-Quynh Nguyen | Jojo Huang & Yingyi Wu | $635,000 | 23 Mascoma Street |
| Timothy Ferris & Scott Wasserman | Jie Lao | $1,250,000 | 79-85 Gilbert Street |

# Real Estate Report Shows Consistent Trends In Overall Activity

Norfolk County Register of Deeds William P. O'Donnell reports that Norfolk County recordings for the second quarter of 2024 (April-June 2024) show consistent trends in overall real estate activity compared to the second quarter of 2023, with a slight drop in property sales but an increase in the total number of deeds recorded.

The Norfolk County Registry of Deeds recorded 26,623 documents in the second quarter of 2024. This was three percent less than the second quarter of 2023.

"During the recently completed 2024 second quarter, the number of deeds recorded fluctuated in line with seasonal trends," O'Donnell noted. "Lending activity has shown some improvement compared to the second quarter of 2024 down only five percent from last year."

The number of deeds for the second quarter of 2024, which reflect both commercial and residential real estate sales and transfers, was 4,228, an increase of one percent from the second quarter of 2023.

"Real estate sales and transfers have remained steady this quarter when compared to the second quarter of 2023, but despite an increase in total deeds recorded in the second quarter of 2024, the number of available properties on the market is still not able to keep up with demand, leading to a rise in average property sales prices," O'Donnell said.

The second quarter's sale prices have increased compared to the second quarter of 2023. The average sale price in the second quarter was $1,198,371, a 20 percent increase from the second quarter of 2023. The total dollar volume of commercial and residential sales is up $2,774,230,226, increasing 18 percent from the same period a year ago.

"The increase in sale prices reflects the competitive real estate market in Norfolk County due to the desire to live and work in area communities," O'Donnell said. "With the inventory of available properties in the county and Massachusetts as a whole not being able to meet the demand, any increase in that demand is going to lead to higher real estate values."

Overall lending activity was down for the second quarter. A total of 4,025 mortgages were recorded this quarter, five percent less than the second quarter of 2023.

"Homeowners who took advantage of lower interest rates in 2020 and 2021 are less likely to refinance and are more hesitant to buy at current mortgage interest rates. Higher interest rates also make it harder for first-time home buyers to secure affordable repayment options," O'Donnell noted.

The Norfolk County Registry of Deeds has been closely monitoring the foreclosure market. In the second quarter of 2024, there were 18 foreclosure deeds recorded as a result of mortgage foreclosures taking place in Norfolk County, whereas in the second quarter of 2023, there were 16 recorded. However, in the second quarter of 2024, there were 112 notices to foreclose, the first step in the foreclosure process, more than the 86 recorded in the second quarter of 2023.

"The substantial increase in the number of these notices is troubling. It suggests that more of our neighbors may have financial difficulties in the future," said O'Donnell. "If you are having difficulty paying your monthly mortgage, please consider contacting one of these non-profit agencies for help and guidance."

For the past several years, the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds has partnered with Quincy Community Action Programs (617-479-8181 x376) and NeighborWorks Housing Solutions (508-587-0950) to help anyone facing challenges paying their mortgage. Another option for homeowners is to contact the Massachusetts Attorney General's Consumer Advocacy and Response Division (CARD) at 617-727-8400.

"The second quarter of 2024 revealed a steady real estate market that while consistent is feeling the effects of a limited inventory of available properties and contributing to the reduced number of property sales," O'Donnell said. "The demand to both live and work in Norfolk County remains high, which is one factor contributing to the competitive market. An increase in new home construction could alleviate some of the strain, leading to a more balanced market for buyers and sellers alike."

The Norfolk County Registry of Deeds, located at 649 High St., Dedham, is the principal office for real property in Norfolk County. The Registry is a resource for homeowners, title examiners, mortgage lenders, municipalities, and others with a need for secure, accurate, and accessible land record information.

All land record research information can be found on the Registry's website, www.norfolkdeeds.org.

Residents in need of assistance can call the Registry of Deeds Customer Service Center at (781) 461-6101 or registerodonnell@norfolkdeeds.org.

# MA Legislature Passes FutureTech Act

The Massachusetts Legislature last week enacted the FutureTech Act, taking action on a $1.26 billion bond authorization to modernize the Commonwealth's digital infrastructure and create safer and more accessible experiences for residents and employees alike.

Funding and projects included in H.4889, An Act to provide for the future information technology needs of Massachusetts, would allow state agencies to deliver services more efficiently to residents, enhance cybersecurity on statewide platforms, and broaden access to services used by hundreds of thousands of residents statewide. The bill would also invest in emerging technologies and artificial intelligence (AI) and create a fund to secure anticipated federal funding to bolster health and human services-related projects.

"Ensuring that the Commonwealth is investing heavily in our technology infrastructure is critical, as protecting against cybersecurity threats, and enabling state agencies to operate with an increased level of efficiency, are vital aspects of our effort to make Massachusetts more safe, effective, and prepared in a world dominated by increasingly sophisticated technologies," said House Speaker Ronald J. Mariano (D-Quincy). "I want to thank Governor Healey for filing this legislation, as well as Chairman Finn and each member of the conference committee for their critical input, and for guiding this bill through the legislative process. I am grateful to all of my colleagues in the House, and to Senate President Spilka and our partners in the Senate, for recognizing the importance of this bill, and for voting to send it to the Governor's desk for her signature."

"The strength of our Commonwealth and its ability to serve our citizens is directly tied to its strength of the technology infrastructure," said Sen. John F. Keenan (D-Quincy). "With

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# State Legislature Passes Fiscal Year 2025 Budget

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turally affirming girls' empowerment and mentoring program

• $300,000 for Quincy College student supports

• $95,000 for designated seasonal state police patrols in the Wollaston Beach, Quincy Shore Drive, and Furnace Brook Parkway areas

• $50,000 for the Quincy Fire Department for communications infrastructure

• $55,000 for Quincy's hazardous materials emergency response program

Consistent with the consensus revenue agreement reached with the Healey-Driscoll Administration in January, the FY25 budget includes $1.3 billion in revenues generated from the Fair Share surtax of four percent on annual income above $1 million and invests these public dollars to improve the state's education and transportation sectors.

Notable Fair Share education and transportation investment highlights include:

**Education: 59% of Fair Share Revenues**

• $170 million to fully fund universal free school meals programming for every public-school student in the Commonwealth.

• $175 million for the Commonwealth Cares for Children (C3) program to provide monthly grants to early education and care programs, which is matched with $300 million in funds from the new Early Education and Care Operational Grant Fund and the High-Quality Early Education and Care Affordability Fund for a total investment of $475 million.

• $117.5 million for MassEducate to provide free community college across the Commonwealth.

• $80 million to expand financial aid programs for in-state students attending state universities through MASSGrant Plus, which is in addition to the $175.9 million for scholarships funded through the General Fund.

• $65 million for early education and care provider rate increases, to increase salaries for our early educators.

• $20 million for early literacy initiatives.

• $14 million for grants to State Universities to provide wraparound supports and services.

• $5 million for the CPPI Pre-K Initiative, matching $17.5 million in funds from the general fund, for a total of $22.5 million to support the expansion of universal pre-kindergarten, including in Gateway Cities.

**Transportation: 41% of Fair Share Revenues**

• $250 million for the Commonwealth Transportation Fund (CTF), which will leverage additional borrowing capacity of the CTF and increase investments in transportation infrastructure by $1.1 billion over the next 5 years. This $250 million includes:

• $127 million to double operating support for the MBTA.

• $63 million in debt service to leverage additional borrowing capacity.

• $60 million in operating support for MassDOT.

• $60 million for MBTA capital investments, including $10 million for resilient rail services.

• $36 million for the MBTA workforce safety reserve.

• $10 million for the MBTA Academy.

• $45 million for roads and bridges supplemental aid for cities and towns.

• $110 million for regional transit funding and grants to support the work of Regional Transit Authorities (RTAs) that serve the Commonwealth, which together with general fund spending funds RTA operations at $204 million. Fair Share funding includes:

• $66 million in direct operating support for Regional Transit Authorities.

• $30 million for systemwide implementation of fare-free transit service.

• $10 million to incentivize connections between regional transit routes.

• $4 million to support expanded mobility options for the elderly and people with disabilities.

• $20 million to support implementation of a low-income fare relief program at the MBTA.

• $7.5 million for water transportation funding and operational assistance for ferry services.

**Education: Early Education and Care, K-12 and Higher Education**

The FY25 budget supports students across the full spectrum of the Commonwealth's education system, shaping polices to make high-quality education more accessible and by making significant investments in the education system, from our youngest learners to adults.

To create a new funding source for EEC initiatives, the budget allows the Massachusetts Lottery to sell its products online. A portion of the new revenue collected from online lottery sales, estimated to be $100 million in FY25, would fund C3 grants, which provide long-term stability for high-quality and affordable care for families.

The FY25 budget codifies several provisions that transforms the early education sector by improving affordability and access for families, increasing pay for early educators, and ensuring the sustainability and quality of early education and care programs.

In K-12 education, the FY25 budget follows through on the Legislature's commitment to fully fund and implement the Student Opportunity Act (SOA) by Fiscal Year 2027, investing $6.9 billion in Chapter 70 funding, an increase of $319 million over FY24, as well as increasing minimum Chapter 70 aid from $30 to $104 per pupil, delivering an additional $37 million in resources to school districts across the state. Quincy will receive $46,126,903 in Chapter 70 education funding, an increase of 2.26% from the previous fiscal year. With these investments, the Legislatures continues to provide crucial support to school districts confronting the increasing cost pressures that come with delivering high-quality education to all students.

In addition to the record levels of investment in early education and K-12, the FY25 budget removes barriers to accessing public higher education by codifying into law MassEducate, a $117.5 million investment in universal free community college program that covers tuition and fees for residents, aimed at supporting economic opportunity, workforce development, and opening the door to higher education for people who may never have had access. The FY25 budget permanently enshrines free community college into law in an affordable and sustainable manner across the Commonwealth, while leaving no federal dollars on the table.

**Health, Mental Health and Family Care**

Investments in the FY25 budget allow more than two million people to receive continued access to affordable and comprehensive health care services. Representing the largest investment made in the state budget, the FY25 budget allocates $20.36 billion for MassHealth. Additionally, the FY25 budget invests $2.9 billion for a range of services and focused supports for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, $212.7 million for a complete range of substance use disorder treatment and intervention services, and $625 million for nursing facility Medicaid rates, including $40 million in additional base rate payments to maintain competitive wages in the Commonwealth's nursing facility workforce.

Additionally, the FY25 budget recognizes that the cost of fertility preservation should not be a barrier to starting a family for Massachusetts residents with cancer or other serious medical conditions. It therefore requires health insurance carriers to cover fertility preservation treatments for individuals who have a medical diagnosis or who are going through medical treatments that may impact fertility. It also includes coverage for the procurement, cryopreservation, and storage of gametes, embryos, or other reproductive tissue.

**Housing**

The FY25 budget invests $1.15 billion in housing, dedicating resources for housing stability, residential assistance, emergency shelter services, and homelessness assistance programs, ensuring the state deploys a humane, responsible, and sustainable approach to providing families and individuals in need with an access point to secure housing.

The budget prioritizes relief for families and individuals who continue to face challenges brought on by the pandemic and financial insecurity, including $326.1million for Emergency Assistance Family Shelters, in addition to the $175 million in resources passed in the recent supplemental budget, to place the Commonwealth's shelter system on a fiscal glidepath into FY25.

The FY25 budget includes important consumer protections, including ending the practice of home equity theft, a practice where cities, towns, and even private companies can foreclose on a home for taxes owed, sell it, and pocket the profits. With this crucial step, the Legislature strikes a balance to ensure equity is returned to homeowners and taxpayers, while municipalities will be made a whole and protected moving forward.

**Expanding and Protecting Economic Opportunities**

The budget includes a $496.2 million for Transitional Assistance to Families with Dependent Children (TAFDC) and $183.2 million for Emergency Aid to Elderly, Disabled and Children (EAEDC) to provide the necessary support as caseloads increase, and continue the Deep Poverty increases. The budget also includes a 10 per cent increase to Transitional Aid to Families with Dependent Children (TAFDC) and Emergency Aid to the Elderly, Disabled and Children (EAEDC) benefit levels compared to June 2024.

The FY25 budget continues to prioritize workforce development programs, allocating $59.8 million for adult basic education services to improve access to skills necessary to join the workforce, $10.4 million for Career Technical Institutes to increase our skilled worker population and provide residents access to career technical training opportunities, and $10 million for the Workforce Competitiveness Trust Fund to connect unemployed and under-employed workers with higher paying jobs.

Having passed the House of Representatives and the Senate, the state FY2025 budget was signed into law by Gov. Maura Healey Monday.

## James D'Angelo On Quincy High School Distinction Honor Roll

James A. D'Angelo, a 10th grader at Quincy High School, made Distinction for the fourth quarter honor roll.

D'Angelo was inadvertently omitted from the honor roll list that appeared in the July 25 issue of *The Quincy Sun*.

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**SATURDAY, AUG. 24 is the Last Day To Register To Vote for the Mass. State Primary Tuesday, Sept. 3**

## SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT
## 州議會參議員

NORFOLK & PLYMOUTH DISTRICT
NORFOLK與PLYMOUTH選區

Vote for ONE
選一人

**JOHN F. KEENAN** 37 Hobomack Rd., Quincy + + + + + + + + + + ○
Candidate for Re-nomination/重新提名的候選人

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## REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT
## 州議會眾議員

FIRST NORFOLK DISTRICT
第一NORFOLK 選區

Vote for ONE
選一人

**BRUCE J. AYERS** 45 Williams St., Quincy + + + + + + + + + + ○
Current State Representative/現任州眾議員

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## REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT
## 州議會眾議員

SECOND NORFOLK DISTRICT
第二NORFOLK 選區

Vote for ONE
選一人

**TACKEY CHAN** 66 Meadowbrook Rd., Quincy + + + + + + + + + + + + ○
Candidate for Re-nomination; Current State Representative/重新提名的候選人；現任州眾議員

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## REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT
## 州議會眾議員

THIRD NORFOLK DISTRICT
第三NORFOLK 選區

Vote for ONE
選一人

**RONALD MARIANO** 200 Falls Blvd., Quincy + + + + + + + + + + ○
Candidate for Re-nomination/重新提名的候選人

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NORFOLK COUNTY
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Vote for ONE
選一人

**ROBERT L. JUBINVILLE** 487 Adams St., Milton + + + + ○
Present Clerk Magistrate; Veteran/現任治安法官書記官；老將

**WALTER F. TIMILTY** 11 Beech St., Milton + + + + + + + + ○

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## REGISTER OF DEEDS
## 契約登記官

NORFOLK DISTRICT
NORFOLK 選區

Vote for ONE
選一人

**WILLIAM PATRICK O'DONNELL** 55 Albemarle Rd., Norwood ○
Present Register of Deeds; Former Assistant District Attorney/現任契據登記官；前地區檢察官助理

**NOEL DiBONA** 70 Chickatabot Rd., Quincy + + + + + + + + + + + + ○
Current Quincy Councilor at-Large; Former School Committee Member/現任Quincy市普通議員；前消學校委員會成員

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NORFOLK COUNTY
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**JOSEPH P. SHEA** 6 Heritage Rd., Quincy + + + + + + + + + + ○
Candidate for Re-nomination, Former Quincy City Clerk/重新提名候選人；前Quincy市書記官

**RICHARD R. STAITI** 9 Burns Ave., Canton + + + + + + + + ○
Candidate for Re-nomination; Town Moderator; Former Selectman/重新提名的候選人；鎮長；前酒市行政委員

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**Sample Ballot REPUBLICAN PARTY Page 13**

# State Primary Election Tuesday, Sept. 3

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More than 8,700 Quincy residents have requested ballots for the primary, City Clerk Nicole Crispo said. As of Monday, her office had received 8,680 requests for mail-in ballots and 27 requests for absentee ballots.

The Secretary of State's Office earlier this month began sending out applications to vote by mail to all registered voters who had not previously applied for a state primary ballot. The application allows voters to apply for a September primary ballot, a November general election ballot, or both. Voters can request a mail-in ballot by returning the application, which is pre-addressed and has postage pre-paid. Voters may also apply to vote by visiting MailMyBallotMA.com.

Quincy voters also have the option of requesting a mail-in ballot by calling the city's election office at 617-376-1144.

The deadline to request a mail-in ballot for the primary is 5 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 26.

Voters can return their ballots by mail using the provided envelope, which does not require the voter to pay for postage. Quincy voters can also use the ballot drop-box located outside City Hall, 1305 Hancock St., or return their ballot in-person to the election office on the second floor of the glass City Hall annex building. Ballots can also be brought to the city's in-person early voting locations while they are open for early voting.

For the primary, ballots must be received by election officials no later than 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 3, in order to be counted. Ballots received after the deadline, even if postmarked on or before Sept. 3, will not be counted.

In-person early voting ahead of Sept. 3 will take place in the Great Hall on the second floor of the McIntyre Government Center (Historic City Hall) at 1305 Hancock St. Early voting will take place there between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. daily from Saturday, Aug. 24, through Friday, Aug. 30.

Residents also have the option of voting absentee. Absentee ballots can be cast in-person at the election office inside City Hall from 8:30 to 4:30 p.m. on weekdays. Absentee balloting ends at 5 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 30.

On the day of the primary, Tuesday, Sept. 3, polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. The same polling locations used in the March presidential primary will be used in September. Crispo noted the polling place inside South West Middle School – where Precincts 1 and 5 of Ward 4 cast ballots – would be moved to the school's gymnasium based on feedback her office received.

"We heard some concerns that people had about the parking and they didn't really like voting in the front of the school," she said. "We took a look at the back of the school, at the gym. The parking is better out there. Last year it wasn't available because the teachers park there on their professional day, but this year they've made accommodations to park elsewhere, so we're going to go into the gym."

The deadline to register to vote in the primary is 5 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 24. Voter registration can be done in-person at Quincy City Hall or online at sec.state.ma.us/OVR.

As of July 18, there were 65,606 registered voters in Quincy, including 18,485 Democrats, 4,188 Republicans, 193 Libertarians, and 42,238 unenrolled voters, who are not members of any party. As in past primaries, unenrolled voters can opt to vote in any of the three party primaries.

Crispo anticipates 30 to 35 percent of the city's registered voters – between 19,680 and 22,960 voters in total – will cast ballots by the time polls close on Sept. 3. That estimate is based in part on turnout the past two state primaries; the turnout in Quincy was 15 percent in 2022 and 33 percent in 2020. The latter election included county races with Quincy residents running against each other.

The presence of two Quincy city councillors on the ballot in this year's primary should help drive up turnout, Crispo said.

"I'm sure it will pique people's interest," she said.

The Republican primary features a three-person race to be the party's nominee for US Senate in November. The candidates in that race are Robert Antonellis of Medford, Quincy City Councillor Ian Cain, and John Deaton of Swansea.

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# Sample Composite Ballot: REPUBLICAN PARTY

# STATE PRIMARY TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

## SENATOR IN CONGRESS
## 國會參議員

Vote for ONE
選一人

ROBERT J. ANTONELLIS 81 Wareham St., Medford + + +

IAN CAIN 4 Avalon Dr., Quincy + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +
Current Quincy City Councilor/現任Quincy市普通議員

JOHN DEATON 8 Mohill Ave., Swansea + + + + + + + + + + + + + + +
Veteran; Former Special Assistant United States Attorney/退休軍人;前美國檢查官特別助理

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## REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS
## 國會眾議員

EIGHTH DISTRICT
第八選區

Vote for ONE
選一人

ROBERT G. BURKE 98 Taylor Ave., Dedham + + + + + + + + + +

JAMES M. GOVATSOS 44 Old Post Rd., Walpole + + + + + +

DANIEL KELLY 266 West Broadway, Boston + + + + + + + + + + +

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## COUNCILLOR
## 市議會議員

FOURTH DISTRICT
第四選區

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SHARON MARIE CINTOLO 128 Willard St., Quincy + + +

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**There Are No Candidate Names Appearing On LIBERTARIAN PARTY State Primary Ballot**

# State Primary Election Tuesday, Sept. 3

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On the Democratic ballot, incumbent US Senator Elizabeth Warren of Cambridge is unopposed in the primary.

The Republican primary also features a three-person race for the House seat representing the eighth district, which includes all of Quincy. The candidates in that contest are Robert Burke of Dedham, James Govatsos of Walpole, and Daniel Kelly of Boston.

On the Democratic side, incumbent US Rep. Stephen Lynch of Boston is unopposed in the primary.

The Democratic ballot in Quincy includes contested races for Governor's Council, Norfolk County clerk of courts, and Norfolk County register of deeds. No Republicans are on the ballots for those three seats.

In the race to represent the fourth district on the Governor's Council, incumbent Christopher Ianella Jr. of Boston is facing challenges from Stacey Borden of Boston and Ronald Iacobucci of Quincy.

In the clerk of courts contest, Robert Jubinville and Walter Timilty, both of Milton, are vying for an open seat. Timilty's father, Walter Jr., is the current clerk of courts.

In the register of deeds race, incumbent William O'Donnell of Norwood is facing a challenge from Quincy City Councillor Noel DiBona.

The four members of Quincy's delegation on Beacon Hill, all Democrats, are seeking reelection this fall. They are Sen. John Keenan of the Norfolk-Plymouth District, Rep. Bruce Ayers of the First Norfolk District, Rep. Tackey Chan of the Second Norfolk District, and Rep. Ronald Mariano of the Third Norfolk District. Each is unopposed in the primary.

On the Republican side, Sharon Cintolo of Quincy is running unopposed in the primary in the Second Norfolk District. No Republicans are running for the other three seats.

Also unopposed in the Democratic primary are incumbent county commissioners Joseph Shea of Quincy and Richard Staiti of Canton. There are no Republicans running for those seats in the primary.

The winners of the Sept. 3 primary will advance to the November general election, which is headlined by the race for president.

Turnout in the November general election is likely to surpass 70 percent, Crispo said. In the last presidential election in 2020, the turnout in Quincy was 71.88 percent. Joe Biden, the Democratic nominee, polled 30,615 votes in Quincy four years ago while Donald Trump, the Republican incumbent, polled 14,283.

Biden, who was elected in 2020, withdrew from this year's race on July 21. Shortly after Biden announcement, Vice President Kamala Harris said she would be running for president, and she quickly drew support from a number of party leaders. The party's nominee will be chosen during the Democratic National Convention, which will take place from Aug. 19 to 22 in Chicago.

Trump secured the Republican nomination after besting Nikki Haley in the Republican primaries earlier this year. Trump selected JD Vance, an Ohio senator, to be his running mate in this year's election.

Two weeks of in-person early voting will take place ahead of the Nov. 5 general election, starting on Saturday, Oct. 19, and running through Friday, Nov. 1, from 8:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day. Crispo noted the first weekend of early voting will take place inside Central Middle School at 875 Hancock St. this October rather than North Quincy High School because the latter will be building unavailable that weekend. Early voting will take place at City Hall on the remaining days.

## GOP U.S. Senate Candidates Debate, Straw Poll Aug. 6

The Norfolk County Republic Committee will host a Debate and Straw Poll featuring candidates for the U.S. Senate on Tuesday, Aug. 6 at 7 p.m.

Each candidate will present their credentials in person. All attendees must be registered Republicans or Unenrolled. The Republican U.S. candidates are Robert Antonellis of Medford, Ian Cain of Quincy and John Deaton of Swansea.

A Question & Answer Session will follow presentations. A straw poll will then be conducted.

The event will be held at the at Dedham VFW, 54 Eastern Ave., Dedham.

Presentation will be HYBRID: In-Person and by ZOOM.

Advance registration is required, by Aug. 5 at 5 p.m.

Cost is $30 for Straw Poll and light refreshments; $20 for straw poll offered on ZOOM.

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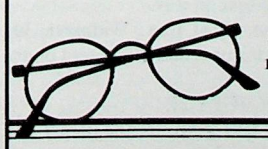

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# Happy Hour May Return To Massachusetts

By SCOTT JACKSON

The state Senate has approved legislation that would end Massachusetts' 40-year ban on happy hour and other drink specials, giving cities and towns the option of allowing them.

An economic development bill approved by the Senate earlier in July included an amendment, introduced by Julian Cyr, a Cape Cod Democrat, that would give cities and towns the ability to allow happy hour and other drink specials. Cyr has said repealing the ban on happy hour would benefit the Bay State's restaurants and bars while making the state more appealing to younger adults.

Massachusetts banned happy hour in 1984 to fight drunk driving, and a number of other states soon followed suit; some of those states have since repealed their bans. That same year, Congress passed the National Minimum Drinking Age Act, which raised the drinking age to 21 nationwide.

The House of Representatives has passed its own economic development bill, which did not include provisions relative to happy hour. The differences in the bills are now being ironed in conference committee, and a final bill is expected to emerge sometime before the legislature's formal session ends late Wednesday or early Thursday.

Sen. John Keenan, a Quincy Democrat, said it remains to be seen whether the happy hour provision will make it to the final bill.

"It was an amendment offered by Sen. Cyr to the economic development bill. There was not a roll call vote on the amendment, if I remember correctly," Keenan said in a recent interview. "The House version of the economic development bill did not include happy hour. The bill is now in conference committee meaning the Senate version of the

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# A Job Well Done

**By OFFICER GREGG HARTNETT**
**Public Information Officer**
**Quincy Police Department**

We would like to recognize the good work of two groups of our officers. During the month of July our department hosts two camps for our youth residents.

The first is DARE Camp, this has been a Quincy Police tradition for decades and is a two week camp. Quincy students who completed the fifth grade and will be starting middle school entering the sixth grade in the fall. DARE Camp focuses on leadership, teamwork, and making smart and healthy choices.

Thanks to our great working relationship with the Quincy Public Schools this camp meets daily at the Atlantic Middle School. Campers hear from guest speakers, participate in activities and even travel on several field trips, including bowling at Olindy's, a trip to Canobie Lake Park, roller-skating at the Carousel Family Fun Center and a visit by boat to our Boston Harbor Islands. DARE Officers Don Sautter and Melanie Reeves, with the help of our School Resource Officers Bob Sweetland, Brian Mahoney and Brenna Callahan ensured that the campers had a safe and fun-filled week.

The second camp we hosted was our second annual Quincy Police Youth Academy. Quincy Students in the seventh and eighth grades attend this weeklong camp. Like DARE Camp, the Youth Academy focuses on leadership, teamwork, and making smart and healthy choices.

The variation to the Youth Academy gives an in-depth view of the role and responsibilities of a police officer. Some activities included demonstrations from our Drone, K-9, SWAT and Scuba Units, students participated with an in-depth mock crime scenes, conducting mock motor vehicles stops, even completing and issuing fake citations.

The Youth Academy was organized and directed by Community Service Officer Ryan Donnelly, with the help of Sergeant Stephen DesRoche, Detective Chuck Landry, Officers Scott Kelley, Ashley McBrien, Asher Hughes, Paul Farina, Andrew Minton, Courtney Murray, Brenna Callahan, Mellanie Reeves and Gregg Hartnett.

The Youth academy ended with a ceremony and each student was presented with a certificate from Chief Kennedy and the academy instructors. Both programs are two of our biggest youth initiatives of community engagement. We know firsthand the importance of having a great relationship with our youth and the community.

Job Well Done!

# QUINCY POLICE CRIME AWARENESS JOURNAL

*Entries submitted by the Quincy Police Department*

**FRIDAY, JULY 19**

**BREAKING AND ENTERING/PAST (door open), 8:35 a.m., 70 block of Cleverly Court.** Report to be filed.

**DISORDER (with staff), 8:39 a.m., Walmart, 301 Falls Blvd.** Dispute regarding Western Union funds. Male issued a trespass notice by Loss Prevention and sent on the way.

**SHOPLIFT (two males arguing), 12:37 p.m., The Block, 1245 Hancock St.** Group of youths sent on way and advised. Merchandise was returned to the store.

**DISORDER (over gas), 1:15 p.m., Prestige, 9 Franklin St.** Dispute with a customer over gas. Peace restored.

**SHOPLIFT (male), 5:38 p.m., Stop and Shop Supermarket, 65 Newport Ave.** Suspect fled the area. Store to handle. Will call if he returns.

**SHOPLIFT (active), 6:38 p.m., Target, 289 Hancock St.** Property recovered. Trespass issued and suspect sent on the way.

**SHOPLIFT (female), 7:53 p.m., Target, 289 Hancock St.** Repeat shoplifter, requesting an officer. Suspect issued a trespass notice by Loss Prevention and was sent on the way.

**DISORDER (fighting), 8:59 p.m., 230 Washington St.** Caller reports youths on bikes. Officers checked the area and surrounding stores. Nothing showing.

**DISORDER (ballroom), 9:22 p.m., Granite Links Golf Course, 100 Quarry Hills Dr.** Detail officer asking for a unit to respond to the ballroom for a disorder. Person was intoxicated and given a ride home.

**SATURDAY, JULY 20**

**LARCENY (planters/flowers), 9:59 a.m., 23 Des-Moines Rd.** Report to be filed.

**BREAKING AND ENTERING/MOTOR VEHICLE (past), 12:36 p.m., 30 block of Fayette Street.** Report to be filed.

**ASSAULT, 3:17 p.m., Target, 289 Hancock St.** Customer in the store told caller that another customer slapped his face. Report to be filed.

**VANDALISM/PROPERTY (male), 6:48 p.m., 60 block of Royal Street.** Caller states that a male came to front and back doors, then slashed tires on their vehicle. Case number provided and report to be filed.

**DISORDER (two males), 10:01 p.m., Star Market, 130 Granite St.** Male starting verbal argument with homeless male. Peace restored and sent on way.

**SHOPLIFT (in progress), 10:51 p.m., Walmart, 301 Falls Blvd.** Suspect issued a trespass notice and sent on the way.

**SUNDAY, JULY 21**

**DISORDER (over tow), 1:01 a.m., Doane Street and Quarterdeck Road.** Caller states he has a car up on the tow truck and he has people screaming at him. Peace restored and person paid the drop fee.

**DISORDER (detail officer), 1:16 a.m., Waterclub, 319 Victory Rd.** Two suspects in custody for assault and battery on a police officer and resisting arrest. Report to be filed.

**BREAKING AND ENTERING (past), 6:09 a.m., 90 block of Alstead Street.** Door secured. Report to be filed.

**BREAKING AND ENTERING/MOTOR VEHICLE (past), 10:51 a.m., 30 block of Hamilton Street.** Report filed.

**BREAKING AND ENTERING/MOTOR VEHICLE (wallet stolen), 2:08 p.m., 30 block of Rawson Road.** Report to be filed.

**LARCENY (phone), 3:48 p.m., 140 block of Newbury Avenue.** Report to be filed.

**SHOPLIFT (in progress), 7:58 p.m., Stop and Shop Supermarket, 65 Newport Ave.** Arrest made for larceny and resisting arrest. Trespass notice issued. Report to be filed.

**DISORDER (in progress), 11:07 p.m., McDonald's, 275 Hancock St.** Person left prior to officers' arrival. Area checked and unable to locate. Caller advised to call back if he returns.

**VANDALISM/PROPERTY (menu board), 11:50 p.m., McDonald's, 275 Hancock St.** Report filed.

**MONDAY, JULY 22**

**SHOPLIFT (watching male), 11:52 a.m., Home Depot, 177 Willard St.** Alleged suspect did not take anything. Advised.

**BREAKING AND ENTERING/PAST, 12:34 p.m., 2001 Falls Blvd.** Report filed.

**LARCENY/ATTEMPT (scooter), 1:03 p.m., Watson Road.** Report filed.

**LARCENY (possible package theft), 3:51 p.m., 7 Crown Dr.** Report to be filed.

**DISORDER (over dog), 4:33 p.m., low numbers of Bailey Street.** Peace restored. Caller sought advice and will stay elsewhere for the night.

**TUESDAY, JULY 23**

**DISORDER (customer), 11:05 a.m., McDonald's, 275 Hancock St.** Peace restored. All advised.

**DISORDER (two customers), 11:42 a.m., Home Depot, 177 Willard St.** Advised. Peace restored.

**VANDALISM/PROPERTY (fence/two holes), 11:54 a.m., Sachem Park.** Appears to be bullet holes in the new vinyl fence. Report filed.

**RECOVERED/VEHICLE (found), 1:24 p.m., 40 block of North Street.** Owner found her own vehicle. Report to be filed.

**SHOPLIFT (just occurred), 7:19 p.m., Target, 289 Hancock St.** Store got items back. Suspect was trespassed by Loss Prevention and sent on way.

**SHOPLIFT (group), 9:49 p.m., CVS Pharmacy/24 Hour, 42 Beale St.** Suspects fled some of the merchandise was returned. Store to handle.

**LARCENY (car keys), 10:57 p.m., Father Bill's Place, 39 Broad St.** Unknown if keys were stolen or lost. Case number provided.

**SHOPLIFT (youths), 11:43 p.m., Seven Eleven Store, 75 Copeland St.** Gone on arrival. Advised. Case number provided.

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 24**

**DISORDER (past), 9:55 a.m., 2 Seaport Dr.** No crime has been committed. Advised and case number provided.

**SHOPLIFT (just fled), 11:15 a.m., CVS Pharmacy/24 Hour, 42 Beale St.** Unable to locate suspect. Store to handle.

**VANDALISM/PROPERTY (smashed window), 2:29 p.m., 380 block of Granite Street.** Report filed.

**DISORDER (with customer), 2:53 p.m., Social Security Administration, 1515 Hancock St.** Peace restored. All advised.

**LARCENY (laundry bag), 4:39 p.m., Seven Eleven Store, 75 Copeland St.** Property returned. Peace restored.

**LARCENY (keys and credit cards), 9:25 p.m., Father Bill's Place, 39 Broad St.** No suspect info. Case number provided. Caller believes they may just be misplaced.

**SHOPLIFT (male party), 10:02 p.m., Stop and Shop Supermarket, 65 Newport Ave.** Trespass notice issued. Sent on the way and advised.

**THURSDAY, JULY 25**

**LARCENY/MOTOR VEHICLE (moped), 9:36 a.m., 50 block of Germain Avenue.** Report to be filed.

**DISORDER (Parks Department/neighbor), 11:12 a.m., Edgewater Drive and Rock Island Road.** All advised. Peace restored.

**SHOPLIFT (in progress), 6:56 p.m., Target, 289 Hancock St.** Trespass notice issued and products recovered. Store to handle.

**SHOPLIFT (female detained), 8:58 p.m., Walmart, 301 Falls Blvd.** Need assistance obtaining ID. Assisted. Store to handle.

**DISORDER (in progress), 9:18 p.m., 1515 Hancock St.** Cleared by Brewster EMS. No one on scene cooperative.

**DISORDER (intoxicated male), 9:30 p.m., India Mart, 85 Quincy Ave.** Cleared by Brewster EMS. Brother coming to pick him up.

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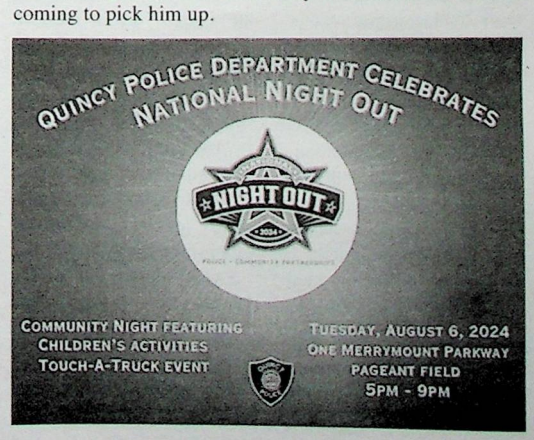
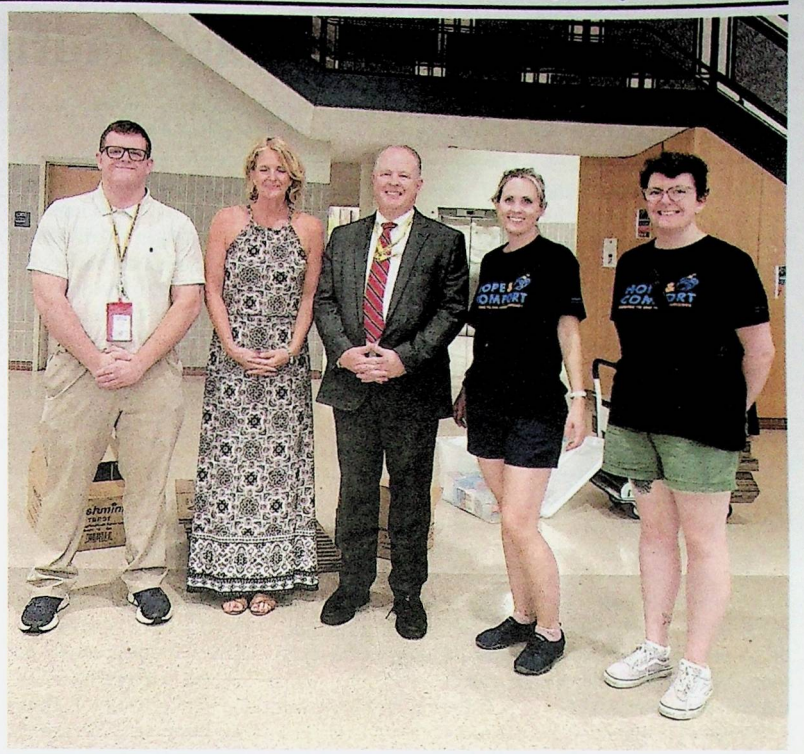


NORTH QUINCY and Quincy High Schools students participating in the Summer Youthworks program assemble hygiene kits to be distributed across Quincy schools. From left to right: Christina Qin Chen (NQHS Grade 10); CJ Xu (NQHS Grade 10); Aero Le (NQHS Grade 10); Bella Lin (QHS Grade 10) and Matthew Wong (QHS Grade 10). *Courtesy Photos*



QUINCY PUBLIC SCHOOLS Administration and QPS YouthWorks program work in coordination to oversee the assembly of "Hygiene Kits" for Quincy Public Schools. From left to right: Antonio Tenaglia (YouthWorks Caseworker/QPS Educator); Maura Papile (Quincy Public Schools Senior Director of Student Support Services); Kevin Mulvey (Quincy Public Schools Superintendent); Abby MacDonald (Hope and Comfort representative); and Tanya Capawana (Hope and Comfort representative).

# Joint Effort Provides Hygiene Products To Students

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a learning environment. It is our mission to help kids build confidence and not be afraid to ask for help when they need it. Through a social awareness campaign we hope to provide students of all grade levels with the knowledge and resources they need to feel fresh, clean and confident.

Through packaging students will also expand their understanding of the hidden crisis of hygiene insecurity and be able to give back to their community.

"It's an amazing opportunity hope and comfort has given us to give back to our schools. As a middle school teacher at South-West it's good to know that every student will have access to the supplies they need to feel ready and confident," said Antonio Tenaglia, a seventh grade educator at South West Middle School and QPS Summer Youthworks Caseworker.

"I can not thank Hope and Comfort enough for partnering with us at Quincy Public Schools to provide students with what they need to do succeed," said Maura Papile, Quincy Public Schools Senior Director of Student Support Services.

"We feel it's important to let kids know that it's not weird to ask for help when you need it. Being able to spread awareness and help people feel comfortable asking for help, it's a great feeling," said Isabella Guerriero and Linda Lau on their Social Awareness Campaign.

## MBTA Reminds Public Contactless Payments Begin On Aug. 1

Beginning today (Thursday, Aug. 1), contactless payments will be accepted onboard MBTA buses, Green Line trolleys, Mattapan Line trolleys, and at all gated subway stations.

This new initiative is part of the MBTA's goal of offering easier, more convenient, and modernized ways for riders to pay fares. This payment method is an addition to the existing options such as paying with a CharlieCard.

Riders can save time by tapping their contactless card or device on the new readers on top of the fare gate or the readers at the vehicle door, wait for the green checkmark, then ride instead of acquiring and reloading a CharlieCard.

Riders will not be able to tap CharlieCards on the readers. Riders can pay their fares with their CharlieCards by tapping on the existing fare gates or fare box readers.

While onboard buses, Green Line trolleys, and Mattapan Line trolleys, riders should be mindful of the location of the tappable fare readers near the vehicles' doors. To avoid the possibility of accidental taps and charges of their contactless credit or debit cards, riders are encouraged to hold their purses, bags, and backpacks away from the contactless readers.

For more information, visit mbta.com/TapToRide or connect with the T on X (the site formerly known as Twitter) @MBTA and @MBTA_CR, Facebook /TheMBTA, Instagram @theMBTA, Threads @thembta, or TikTok @thembta.

Quincy Community Blood Drive
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# Poor Flowering And Fruiting In The Vegetable Garden

By MELINDA MYERS

Another summer of above-normal summer temperatures in much of the country may be taking its toll on your vegetable gardens. Temperature extremes can interfere with flowering and fruit set, resulting in poor flowering, blossom drop, and a lack of or misshapen fruit on tomatoes, peppers, squash, and more.

The impact of temperature on plants depends on the stage of the plant's development. Plants ready to flower or developing fruit during times of optimum temperatures will be fine but plants that are ready to flower or develop fruit during more extreme temperatures experience problems.

Tomatoes thrive in warm, sunny conditions but when daytime temperatures rise above 90°F and night temperatures remain above 70°F blossom drop and poor fruit development may occur. This combined with low humidity and the pollen is not viable. In hot and humid conditions, the pollen is too sticky and doesn't move from the male to the female part of the flower. Without pollination, the flowers won't be fertilized, and fruit will not develop.

On the other hand, when night temperatures are below the optimum of 59° to 68°F, less viable pollen is produced so fewer fruit will form. Cooler temperatures below 55°F can result in misshapen fruit and cat-facing. Fortunately, this malformed fruit is still tasty and safe to eat.

Temperature extremes also impact pepper productivity. When temperatures climb to 95°F or higher, the pollen is sterile and flowers may drop. Small fruit may also fall from the plant during such hot spells. Pepper plants also experience poor fruit set when night temperatures drop below 60°F or rise above 75°F.

Flowering in squash and cucumber plants is also influenced by temperature and other environmental factors. These plants typically produce separate male and female flowers. The male flowers usually appear first, and it is not until both the male and female flowers are present that pollination, fertilization, and fruit production can occur.

The research found cool temperatures, bright sunlight, and shorter days encourage female flower production while male flowers are more prolific during warmer temperatures, less sunlight, and close spacing. Flowering on squash and cucumbers is also impacted by nitrogen fertilization. Too much can prevent female flower formation while insufficient amounts can reduce the number of male flowers.

In addition, rainy weather or improperly applied pesticides that prevent bee activity and pollination can also result in malformed cucumbers.

These aren't the only vegetables impacted by temperature extremes. Eggplants, a close relative of tomatoes and peppers, do not set fruit until night temperatures are above 55°F. Beans stop flowering or the flowers die when temperatures rise above 85°F.

The simplest solution is to wait for optimum temperatures and proper humidity levels to return. Once this happens, the plants will begin producing fruit. Be sure to harvest regularly to keep the plants producing.

If poor productivity caused by weather is a yearly problem, consider planting varieties better suited to these extremes, adjust the planting times, and if needed, find a more suitable growing location.

**COOLER TEMPERATURES below 55°F can result in misshapen fruit and cat-facing as seen in this photo.** *Photo courtesy of www.MelindaMyers.com*

When the harvest is delayed, extend the season with the help of row covers. These fabrics allow sunlight, air, and water through while trapping heat around the plants. Loosely cover the plants and anchor the edges with stones, boards, or landscape staples when frost is forecasted. You can leave the fabric in place for the remainder of the year. Just lift it to harvest and secure the fabric when done.

If this summer's weather leaves you disappointed with the harvest, remember there is always next year.

Melinda Myers has written over 20 gardening books, including Midwest Gardener's Handbook, 2nd Edition and Small Space Gardening. She hosts The Great Courses "How to Grow Anything" instant video and DVD series and the nationally syndicated Melinda's Garden Moment radio program. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for Birds & Blooms magazine. Myers' website is www.MelindaMyers.com.

## Logan Almeida Graduates University Of Tampa

Logan Almeida of Quincy recently graduated from The University of Tampa with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Musical Theatre.

## ABSENTEE VOTING
## MASSACHUSETTS STATE PRIMARY
### TUESDAY, SEPT. 3, 2024

**Absentee ballots are available for the 2024 State Primary.**

**Quincy voters may vote in person at City Hall Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. until**

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 30, 2024 at 5:00 PM.**

## VOTE BY MAIL
## IN THE SEPT. 3, 2024
## MASSACHUSETTS STATE PRIMARY

**You may apply for a ballot by mail online at www.MailMyBallotMA.com**

**Applications may also be requested by calling the Quincy Election Office at 617-376-1144.**

TO RECEIVE A BALLOT BY MAIL FOR THE 2024 STATE PRIMARY, APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE ELECTION DEPARTMENT BY **5:00PM ON MONDAY, AUG. 26, 2024.**

## Paintings Of Artist Andrise Dalmace Exhibit At MPL

The Milton Public Library is hosting the paintings of artist Andrise Dalmace in its Wotiz Gallery Aug. 1-31. This collection features very colorful floral images.

Ms. Dalmace was born and raised in Boston in a Haitian family, and in addition to being a painter, she has a successful career as a full-time nurse at Mass General Brigham Hospital.

One lovely painting Ms. Andrise has created is titled: "Bel Fle," which means "beautiful flower" in Haitian-Creole. It represents Haiti's national flower, the Hibiscus Rosa-sinensis, in an abstract form.

For more information about displaying your art at the Milton Public Library, Email jhlady@milton.ocln.org or call the Reference Dept. at (617) 898-4964.

# Quincy Animal Shelter To Celebrate 25th Anniversary At Golf Tournament

## *Monday, Oct. 21 At Granite Links*

As part of its 25th anniversary celebration Quincy Animal Shelter announces its Golf Tournament at Granite Links on Monday, Oct. 21.

This exciting event promises a day of fun and philanthropy set against the stunning backdrop of one of the area's premier golf courses. Participants can look forward to a full day of golfing followed by a cocktail reception and delicious dinner buffet.

The evening will feature awards, silent action and raffles, providing a perfect blend of competition and community spirit. QAS Event Organizer Blake Hopkins hopes that event will bring together animal lovers and golf enthusiasts to support the shelter's mission.

QAS President Sandra Sines said "being a part of the Quincy Animal Shelter Golf Tournament means supporting a cause that advocates for animals in need. The funds raised from this event will help the shelter continue our essential work of caring for and rehoming animals as well as funds for the new shelter in 2025. Every participant and sponsor are contributing to a mission that not only ensures the safety and well-being of pets in the shelter's care but also helps us be a resource for members of our community. With your support we can extend our reach into the community."

There are numerous sponsorship opportunities available for businesses and individuals looking to make a meaningful impact. Sponsors will not only help fund the shelter's operations but will also gain visibility within the community, highlighting their commitment to animal welfare. By participating in or sponsoring the golf tournament, supporters will be directly contributing to Quincy Animal Shelter's efforts to provide a haven for animals until they find their forever homes.

For 25 years, Quincy Animal Shelter has helped save over 10,000 animals and continues to lead in its mission. The shelter also focuses on promoting spay and neuter programs to address the issue of pet overpopulation and strives to be a leading community resource for those in need.

To register for the event or to explore sponsorship opportunities, visit the tournament's website www.qascharitygolftournament.org.

Since forming as a nonprofit organization in November of 1999, QAS shelter has placed more than 10,000 homeless dogs and cats into loving homes.

The shelter is located at 440R East Squantum St., Quincy, incorporated in 1999 and is a recognized charity under Section 501(c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Service code.

The shelter's mission is to advocate for animals by providing safety until home placement of those in their care and to promote spay and neuter programs to control pet overpopulation and continually strive to be the leading community resource for education on proper animal welfare.

## Belgian Malinois Available For Adoption At Quincy Animal Shelter

I'm looking for a new life. I'm a stunning 3- to 4-year-old Belgian Malinois with a gentle soul under the harshness of my past. Underneath my sensitive, nervous, scared first impression, my gentle, loving, playful nature will come out as we get to know each other. My loyalty, affection and intelligence come next. When you ask, I'll do anything for you! It could be playing ball, agility, learning new tricks, going for car rides, I'm up for all kinds of activities or even chilling out together. If you are willing to take the time to build our bond, help me continue to overcome being scared, increase my resilience, I will love, cherish, become your most trustworthy friend and devote my life to you!

Contact adoptions@quincyanimalshelter.org or call 617-376-1349 – leave a message for Jeanie

# MASSACHUSETTS STATE PRIMARY

## Tuesday, Sept. 3, 2024

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**Saturday, August 24, 2024**

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THE 2024 SQUANTUM Road Race participants. The race drew over 100 runners and raised more than $1,700 for the Squantum July 4th Parade Committee.

# Squantum Road Race Draws Over 100 Runners

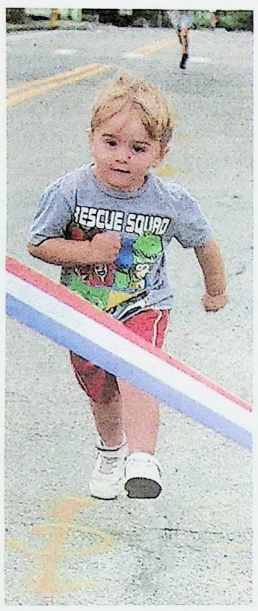
The Squantum Road Race, a tradition held annually as part of the 4th of July festivities in Squantum, was held on Saturday, June 29 with over 100 runners of all ages participating.

The event, run in memory of longtime Squantum resident Frank Buckley, raised over $1,700 for the Squantum July 4th Parade Committee.

"The Squantum Road Race is a great event that always shows the pride and community spirit of the neighborhood," said state Rep. Bruce Ayers, who sponsors and operates the race. "It's always great to see everyone come out to participate or to cheer on the runners, especially the young kids in the neighborhood who have made it one of their favorite traditions of the year."

Participants received t-shirts and medals, with winners of each age category receiving trophies. Congratulations to the following winners:

- 1st Place Overall (Male): Quentin Fronjian
- 1st Place Overall (Female): Julia Bryson
- 1st Place Ages 10 & Under: Walter Bonczar
- 1st Place Ages 11-15: Spencer Novick



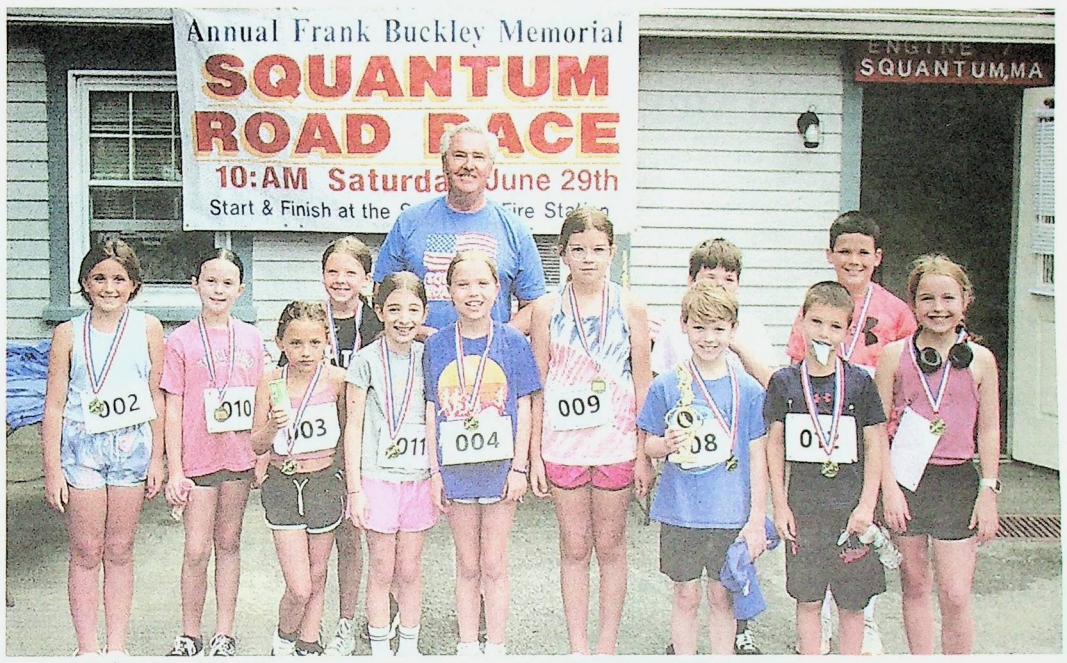
A TODDLER watching the race jumps in to cross the finish line.

- 1st Place Ages 16-20: Michael Gorman
- 1st Place Ages 21-30: AJ Shaughnessy
- 1st Place Ages 31-40: John Huang
- 1st Place Ages 41–50: Brian Miller
- 1st Place Ages 51-60: Brian Kerins
- 1st Place Ages 60+: Gary Moran

"I want to thank all of the runners and congratulate all of our winners on a great showing," said Ayers. "I also want to say thank you to all of our volunteers and the road race committee, as well as to the Buckley family."

Ayers also noted that the event was made possible in part by the participation of the Quincy Police Department's motorcycle unit, as well as the Quincy Fire Department generously allowing the usage of the Squantum Fire Station facilities as the race's starting point.

"It goes to show how much goes into this event, and that it's truly a community effort to make it happen," Ayers said.




STATE REP. Bruce Ayers, sponsor of the Squantum Road Race, presents medals to younger runners.

CHIP MCINTOSH, Mark Tolini and Tracy McGrath were among the runners taking part in the 2024 Squantum Road Race. *Courtesy Photos*

CONOR KOLANDER and Armand Matijasevic at the finish line.

OTHER RUNNERS included Maeve Kerins, Kelly Gilson and Kristen Kelly.

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# Keenan Optimistic About MBTA Red Line Work

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"We've experienced this before," Keenan said of service shutdowns. "One, when they had the crash at JFK/UMass and the Red Line was shut down for an extended period of time. And two, when Wollaston station was closed, we moved to a shuttle bus system. So, the T is experienced at providing shuttle service. This is a longer period of time than was anticipated in terms of closure, but it's expected that all slows zones will be eliminated, the speeds will increase to as much as 40 miles per hour and hopefully higher where they can get up to that speed. So, the results should be positive.

"But during that period of time where it is closed, we're obviously advocating people use the Commuter Rail. We're fortunate to have a Commuter Rail stop in Quincy. People in the northern part of the city probably won't utilize that, but it is a great way to get into Boston. You get on the Commuter Rail in Quincy, you're in South Station in a matter of 17, 18 minutes give or take. It's pretty fast and it's more reliable at this stage than the Red Line has been, so we encourage people to do that.

"What we've done as a delegation is we're encouraging the MBTA to further encourage the use of ferry service by at least permitting there to be kind of a regular Charlie Card fare. The T has committed to the ferry more than past administrations. They are regularly advertising it on the radio, they're advertising it [in the newspaper], so they're committed to doing that, which is good in terms of the ferry overall. We're encouraging the MBTA to allow people to use that with their regular T pass. The parking is free. There are 700 spaces give or take. The schedule is not ideal – we would like to see an additional boat added during the time when the Red Line is shut down, but we have not heard anything definitive from them. We are hopeful and we will keep pushing, but we think that would be pretty helpful for people from Wollaston basically north, they can drive there and then get on the ferry and at least get to the Seaport or the Aquarium area pretty quickly."

All three Commuter Rail lines that pass through Quincy – the Greenbush, Kingston and Middleborough/Lakeville lines – stop at Quincy Center. The Kingston and Middleborough/Lakeville lines stop in Braintree as well.

"The Commuter Rail schedule is pretty convenient," Keenan said. "When Wollaston station was closed, I would take the bus to Quincy Center and then I would always check when is the next Red Line train arriving and usually there was going to be a Commuter Rail train just as quickly it seemed.

"They are on a schedule, their schedules are available online, and you can tell when they are coming into the station and plan accordingly. I do think there is going to be an issue perhaps with them being crowded; people, my guess is, will be standing depending on what time they go in the morning, what time they go in the evening. But it's just a really quick ride."

Keenan was hopeful the MBTA would share additional information about alternative service that will be offered during the 24-day closure "sooner rather than later" so people can make plans for that period.

"What's happened in the past, we've heard from people that they sometimes take vacation time during a period of the closure. They will adjust their schedule to get the Commuter Rail. They will adjust their schedule a little later perhaps so that when they do take the bus, it's not as crowded," he said. "People make all those types of changes, and we would like for them to consider the ferry as well."

The MBTA has closed other lines, either partially or entirely, for track improvement in recent years. The upcoming closure of the Braintree branch should be the last major shutdown on the rapid transit system.

"The Orange Line had a pretty substantial [closure], and that took a while then to get things back to where they expected them to be on the Orange Line. When that closure occurred and when trains ran immediately after, it wasn't the result they hoped for, so they've learned from that. Part of the challenge on the Orange Line is that they have different railroad tie systems along the way; some of them are concrete ties, some of them are wooden ties, so that just makes it difficult to kind of plan and do the work," Keenan said.

"This is a pretty major undertaking and we are told this should do it in terms of the track condition."

Asked if he could see the light at the end of the tunnel for the MBTA, Keenan said he could. Signal work along the Red Line is nearly complete, new cars are coming online, and more employees are being brought on board, he said.

"I've been optimistic for a long time," Keenan said. "When there was discussion about whether to close the Wollaston train station (during renovations), I came out in support of closing the station because I thought it would just be faster and save money. And it was faster – the station came in complete earlier than it would have had they done it without closing the station – and they saved substantial money.

"Part of what I told the community at that point was the station is being closed, we will after that have a brand-new station. The expectation was we would have brand-new Red Line cars, the signalization work was proceeding – it still is, but it's much further along – that any track work would have been done, and that we would have headways of six or seven minutes, the time between trains coming then. Then all of a sudden, we realized that the track work was more extensive and it was needed and, because of Covid, there has been delays in the production of Red Line cars."

"But a lot of the other things are going on," Keenan continued. "The new fare system has progressed. The stations now have station managers. We are getting new Red Line cars; you're starting to see them a little more than you have seen them in the past. The signalization work has progressed to the point now where it is close to being ready for the new trains. Right now, it's a block system, so a train gets to block and if there is another train in that block, it has to wait for the train to clear that block before it then can enter. That's sometimes why you would get a slowdown in normal situations without track issues. The new signalization systems allow trains to just move through more quickly.

"The other thing we have to do is to continue to hire people. The T has really had some remarkable success in the past year in terms of hiring people, and that effort continues because, you've got the trains, you've got the signals, you've got the tracks, you have to have the operators and during Covid the number of people working for the T dropped pretty dramatically. So there is a continued effort to recruit people to drive buses and to operate the trains, and that has gone pretty well. That's a piece of getting the service of where we want it to be."

"I am optimistic," he added. "It's taken a lot more time than I ever would have thought and I'm not happy about that, but they continue to move forward. I think the new general manager has brought a lot of experience to the job. Steve Poftak, who was there before, I thought he did a remarkable job given the circumstances with Covid and everything else. Then the transition to General Manager Eng has been one that is, 'okay, what's the logical next step.' He's got a lot of experience and brought in some real professionals."

# House Passes Presciption Drug Access, Pharmacy Benefit Manager Oversight Bill

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share of rebates is used to reduce premiums.

The bill requires PBMs and health insurers to forward at least 80 percent of rebates received by carriers or PBMs to consumers at the point of sale.

Further, the bill passed by the House last week:

• Requires pharmacies to charge consumers the lesser of their applicable cost-sharing amount or the pharmacy retail price, so that consumers no longer unknowingly pay more for their prescription drugs when using their health insurance benefits than they would if they paid the pharmacy retail price.

• Ensures that patients that get assistance paying for their prescription drugs are not penalized by their health insurers by requiring health insurers and PBMs to include any cost-sharing amounts paid by an enrollee or another third party on behalf of an enrollee when calculating an enrollee's total cost-sharing contributions.

• Imposes a duty of good faith and fair dealing on PBMs when dealing with all parties with which they interact in the performance of PBM services.

• Requires PBMs to provide an adequate and accessible network for prescription drugs.

• Establishes that PBMs must maintain a Maximum Allowable Cost (MAC) list for generic prescription drugs and must reimburse an independent pharmacy for drugs at the same amount that the PBM reimburses PBM affiliates for providing the same pharmacist services.

• Makes permanent the ability of consumers to use drug manufacturer coupons to pay for prescription drugs.

• Requires any entity that intends to close a pharmacy or pharmacy department to notify the state in writing at least 60 days before the proposed closure date. If the state finds that the intended closing is likely to result in the creation of a pharmacy desert, the state must conduct a public hearing to present information on alternative sources of pharmacy services available to impacted consumers and allow interested parties the opportunity to share comments and concerns about the proposed closure.

Currently, there is limited transparency into PBMs' operations and revenue. This bill increases transparency into the business practices of PBMs and pharmaceutical manufacturing companies by requiring PBMs and certain pharmaceutical manufacturing companies to submit data to CHIA for the HPC's annual cost trends report, and mandatory participation in the HPC's annual benchmark hearing process.

It also assesses PBMs and pharmaceutical manufacturing companies for the expenses of HPC and CHIA in a similar manner as current health care providers, while increasing the penalty for noncompliance with CHIA data reporting requirements from $1,000 per week to $25,000 per week. This applies to all entities required to report, which would now include PBMs and pharmaceutical manufacturing companies.

The bill also establishes an Office of Pharmaceutical Policy and Analysis within the HPC to better advise the Legislature and state agencies on matters related to pharmaceutical drug policy and tasks the new office with studying cost and access issues with groundbreaking cell and gene therapies that are due to be released by 2035.

### Co-payment Caps on Medications for Certain Chronic Illnesses

This legislation reduces or eliminates the price on medications for diabetes, asthma, and the most prevalent heart condition among a health plan's enrollees.

Twenty-two percent of Massachusetts residents reported they did not fill a prescription, cut pills in half, or skipped a dose because they couldn't afford it, according to an Alterum report. Limiting and reducing copays is a health equity issue – people of color are disproportionately impacted by chronic conditions such as diabetes, asthma, and hypertension. Black and Hispanic residents were more likely to cut pills in half, skip a dose, or not to fill a prescription due to cost.

To ensure that everyone, especially at-risk populations, are getting equitable access to the medication they need, the bill requires insurance carriers to identify one generic drug and one brand name drug used to treat diabetes, asthma, and the most prevalent heart condition among its enrollees.

Identified generic drugs are covered without any cost sharing and the co-pay for identified brand name drugs are capped at $25 per 30-day supply. It also provides for annual reporting by insurance carriers to DOI on the list of drugs with no or limited cost sharing.

Having been passed by the Senate, the bill now goes back for its further consideration.


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# Iacobucci Candidate For Governor's Councillor 4th District

Ronald Primo Iacobucci, 430 Adams St., Quincy, announces his candidacy for Governor's Councillor in the Massachusetts 4th District. Iacobucci is seeking the Democratic nomination in the Sept. 3 state primary.

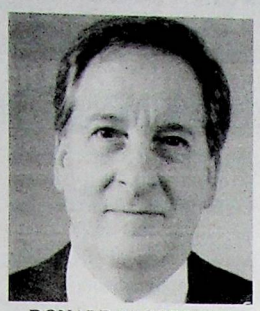
In his campaign announcement, Iacobucci said:

"For the past few months, I have been on a listening tour of the 4th District. I have visited each one of the 19 communities in the District. Everywhere I go, I hear the same questions. What is the Governor's Council? Who is my Governor's Councillor? I have resolved to change all that. I don't want to be just a rubber stamp on appointments and spending. I want to take my skills and experience in the private and public sector and put them to work as a proactive Councillor. A Councillor that will provide the leadership to drive positive change to make things better for our judicial system," said Iacobucci.

"Presently, I oversee the publicly funded Mass Hire workforce system in the South Shore. I witness first hand the effects that our judicial system has on the lives of the people we are trying to serve. People with barriers to employment like reentry, addiction and mental illness. People that we are helping to get back to work. Our judicial system can do better for these people," said Iacobucci.

"I am committed to representing the interests of the community and ensuring that the judicial system works for all residents. I am committed to working tirelessly to ensure that the decisions the Governor's Council makes reflect the values and diversity of our state.

"I want to run a campaign of ideas that will make a difference for our judicial system and that starts with listening to the voices of our residents. It also starts with being accessible to our residents and addressing their concerns as it relates to our judicial system," said Iacobucci.



RONALD IACOBUCCI

Iacobucci's work history involves a number of positions that include: Little City Hall Manager in Boston, CEO of a nonprofit organization that promoted youth baseball, co-founder of the Adam Walsh Child Resource Center in Massachusetts that promoted child protection, Agent for the South Shore Building Trades Council that promoted development, jobs and justice for working men and women and serving on a nonprofit board that builds affordable housing communities in Massachusetts.

Iacobucci's family migrated from Italy to the West End of Boston. When he was born, Iacobucci lived in the most diverse neighborhood of Massachusetts. It is that neighborhood that shaped a lot of Iacobucci's convictions and politics. Iacobucci then became what he describes as a life-long resident of Quincy inspired each day by his wife Liz, their three children and five grandchildren.

Iacobucci is a political science and communication graduate of Boston College having served as president of the Undergraduate Government of Boston College. Iacobucci said he is a strong advocate of life-long learning.

Iacobucci served for six years as Senior Warden at the Parish of St. Chrysostom in Quincy leading a development project that raised millions of dollars to save the church. As a member of the Vestry for over 10 years, Iacobucci was involved in all aspects of parish life. Most notable was the creation of an Asian ministry to serve the Wollaston neighborhood of Quincy, the sponsorship of AA groups that saved many lives and as senior warden participating in the first gay marriage held at the church

Iacobucci said he will work to educate the public about the important role the Governor's Council plays in the judicial system. The Governor's Council was created by the Constitution of Massachusetts as adopted in 1780 for the primary purpose of assisting the executive with nominations to the judiciary. The Governor's Council powers and duties have gone through many changes during the past 244 years.

Today, the Massachusetts Governor's Council, also known as the Executive Council, is composed of eight individuals elected from districts, and the Lieutenant Governor who serves ex officio. The eight councillors are elected from their respective districts every two years. Each of the eight districts is composed of five senatorial districts. The 4th District includes the senate districts of Senators John Keenan, Nick Collins, Pat O'Connor, Mike Rush and Liz Miranda.

The Governor's Council meets weekly to record advice and consent on pardons and commutations, gubernatorial appointments such as judges, clerk-magistrates, public administrators, members of the Parole Board, Appellate Tax Board, Industrial Accident Board and Industrial Accident Reviewing Board, notaries, and justices of the peace.

The Governor's Council also meets weekly to make monetary decisions by recording advice and consent on warrants for the state treasury. Monetary decisions include extra work and change orders. This is the process by which companies contracted by the government can increase their funding when projects go over budget. The Governor's Council must confirm that these requests are valid and fair in order to prevent fraud and abuse.

To learn more about the Governor's Council, Iacobucci or why he is a candidate, visit www.rpi.vote or on Facebook visit iacobucci4governorscouncillor.

# Happy Hour May Return To MA

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economic development bill and the House version of the economic development bill is now being ironed out. Whether it makes it into the final bill, we'll see."

"The issue of driving while under the influence of alcohol seems to be less," Keenan added. "There's been a pretty significant generational change and with TNC companies – Lyft and Uber and those options – young people just don't drive as much as they used to in general and they really seem to be very much aware they should not drink and drive. That message seems to have really gotten out."

Keenan said he does not support repealing the happy hour ban and, if it were a standalone bill, would likely vote against it. If it is included as part of the broader economic development bill, Keenan said he would vote in favor of the legislation as a whole.

"If it was a standalone bill, I would probably vote no on it. It all depends on the language and the context of it, but if it was a standalone bill – which it is not – I would consider voting no," Keenan said. "It's part of a broader bill and the economic development bill is an enormously important bill for the commonwealth, so if it is part of that bill as it was in the Senate and could be in conference, I would vote yes on the bill.

"My concerns about happy hours are that studies show that we have an issue with binge drinking among young people and there is a concern that this would add to that. It is all tied in some context, the studies show, to kind of the social isolation that's occurring because young people are working at home. At the end of the day, after working at home for a few days, they want to get out and about. This could contribute to increased rates of drinking among young people. Some of it is speculative, but I do think it's a concern.

"That's for a certain age group, because some other studies are showing the next, younger age group seems to be drinking less. All that has to be looked it, but I am concerned it may increase the level of problem drinking.

"I've done a lot of work on opioids and other drugs and, in the course of that, you realize that still one of the biggest issues – not the biggest issue – in terms of substances is alcohol."

Keenan said he was unsure what the impact would be if a community like Quincy were to allow happy hour while neighboring ones like Braintree or Weymouth did not. "If one community doesn't adopt it and one does, then will people travel for happy hour? It was kind of the same thing when they talked about raising the meals tax – if one community raises the meals tax, will they go to the next community instead? I think people are kind of set in their patterns," he said.

"Not every bar or restaurant is interested in this. Some of them that are busy now feel like they're going to have to lower prices at times to keep competitive with people. If they already have a pretty good after-work crowd that's coming in and having a couple drinks and also buying food and all of a sudden there is a place four doors down and they haven't done as well and they start doing a pretty aggressive happy hour, then the restaurant that has been doing well is going to have to adjust and perhaps have lower margins on drinks for a period of the day. So, not every restaurant or bar is supportive of it. But that will be sorted out at the local level.

"I'm sure if a community like Quincy decides to do it, then I'm sure Braintree and other communities will say 'do we do it now, will people travel to Quincy to go to a happy hour?' Some people think they will. Others say, for the sake of saving a couple dollars on a drink, will they really travel up there knowing the window of the happy hour is a couple hours? So, who knows? It's been such a long time, we don't know how it will work, and I'm not aware of what other states' experiences are."

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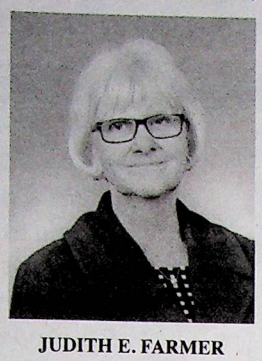
# OBITUARIES

## Judith E. Farmer, 82

Judith E. "Judy" (Donovan) Farmer, age 82, a longtime resident of Quincy, died peacefully, Tuesday, July 23, 2024 at AccentCare Inpatient Hospice Center – Milton, in the comfort of her loving family. Judy was raised and educated in Gloucester and was a graduate of Gloucester High School, Class of 1960. Upon graduation, she moved to Boston's Back Bay and had a successful career at State Street Bank.



JUDITH E. FARMER

A proud resident of the City of Presidents, Judy lived in Quincy for fifty-seven years. She had a long and successful career in the banking industry, working for Mt. Washington Bank, the Quincy Cooperative Bank, the Bank of Braintree, and the Bank of Canton. As Regional Lending Manager for the Bank of Canton, Judy helped countless people achieve the goal of home ownership. She also served on many boards including the Quincy Community Action Program, Affordable Housing Trust Committee, Quincy Fair Housing Committee, and Maria Droste Fundraising Committee.

During her career, she was the recipient of many awards including the City of Quincy Lifetime Achievement Award, the Mayor's Annual Community Service Award, QCAP Extra Mile Award, and the Woman of Distinction award from Woodward School for Girls. After retiring, she continued to work with multiple community organizations on behalf of the Bank of Canton and often remarked that she was the true beneficiary of giving back to the community.

A parishioner of Saint Agatha Church in Milton for more than forty years, she was honored to serve there as a volunteer during her retirement. Her other passions included reading and being an active book club member, trips to NYC, knitting, antiquing, and all things Boston sports, especially watching the Celtics claim their 18th NBA championship in June. Judy was a former member of the Neighborhood Club of Quincy for many years, where she made many friendships and enjoyed getting together with family and close friends. Most of all, Judy was dedicated to her family and especially proud of her cherished grandchildren.

She is survived by her daughters Jill Farmer Possehl and husband Jimmy of South Boston; Erin Farmer Noonan and husband Michael of Pelham, NH; and three cherished grandchildren, James Possehl, Katie Noonan, and John Noonan. She also leaves behind her sister Jane Marshall and nephew Patrick Marshall of Gloucester. She was preceded in death by her husband of 50 years, John A. Farmer.

Memorial Visitation will be held at the Dolan Funeral Home, 460 Granite Ave, East Milton, on Wednesday, July 31, from 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. A Memorial Funeral Service will be conducted at the funeral home at 12:30 p.m., with a reception to follow. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. At the request of the family, interment at the Massachusetts National Cemetery, Bourne, will take place privately at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Judy's memory may be made to Quincy Community Action Programs, 1509 Hancock St., 3rd Floor, Quincy, MA 02169.

To leave the Farmer family a condolence message, please visit www.dolanfuneral.com.

## Dorothy M. Buckley, 88

Dorothy M. "Dot" Buckley, a longtime resident of Braintree, passed away on Sunday, July 21, 2024. She was 88.

She was born in New York, NY to Pauline (Testa) and John Aspesi and lived in the Bronx until she was about 7. The family then moved to Quincy where she grew up. She graduated from Quincy High School and went on to work as a clerk in the records department of Quincy Trust. Dot would continue to work on and off in banking at South Shore Bank and Multibank as she got married and raised her 3 children in Braintree. She also worked parttime at Zayre's in Braintree for many years.

In her spare time, Dot liked to try her luck with her scratch tickets. She enjoyed trips to Nantasket Beach with the family. When she was home, she tended to her garden with help from her kids and grandchildren. She loved her family and adored her grandchildren. When she could, she liked to express her love for her family with baking, cooking, and crocheting.

DOROTHY M. BUCKLEY

Dot was someone who was very genuine and open about her feelings and thoughts. She appreciated authenticity and openness with those she loved. She will be dearly missed by those who knew her.

Beloved wife of 60 years to the late John Buckley Jr. Devoted mother to Kathleen Buckley of Braintree, Michael Buckley of Braintree, and Steven Buckley and his wife Paula of Stoughton. Adoring "Nona" to Christopher and Jaymee Buckley of Stoughton. Dot is also survived by many nieces. Predeceased by her parents, Pauline (Testa) and John Aspesi.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to greet the family during the visiting hours on Thursday, Aug. 1st, from 4-7 p.m. in the Keohane Funeral Home, 785 Hancock St., Quincy. Funeral service will be celebrated on Friday, Aug. 2nd at 10 a.m. in Keohane Funeral Home, Quincy. Burial at Blue Hill Cemetery, Braintree.

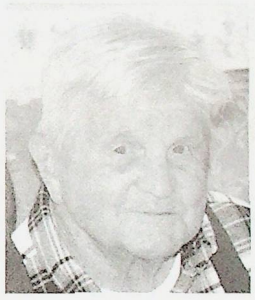
In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Dot and John may be made to MSPCA, Attn: Donation, 350 S. Huntington Ave., Jamaica Plain, MA 02130 or to South Shore Health Foundation, 55 Fogg Rd., Weymouth, MA, 02190. Please see www.Keohane.com for directions and online condolences.

## John Buckley, Jr., 90

John Buckley, Jr. of Braintree, formerly of Quincy, died December 15, 2020. He was 90.

He was born in Quincy to Martha (Wepsala) and John Buckley. John was a proud United States Army veteran who served during the Korean War. He worked at General Dynamics most of his adult life until they closed the gates and then went on to work for the Braintree School department as a custodian, until he retired.

In his earlier years, John was a member of a candlepin bowling league. He enjoyed trips to Nantasket Beach and vacations with the family. His life centered around his family, and he adored his grandchildren. In his later years he spent a lot of time outdoors and took daily walks to go try his luck playing the daily lottery number. When he was home, he would play games and watch movies on his computer to pass the time. He was a quiet man with a friendly smile and kind disposition.



JOHN BUCKLEY, JR.

The beloved husband of 60 years to the late Dorothy M. "Dot" Buckley (Aspesi). Loving father of Kathleen Buckley of Braintree, Michael Buckley of Braintree, and Steven Buckley and his wife Paula of Stoughton. Brother of the late Thomas "Chub" Buckley and Robert Buckley. Gramps of Christopher and Jaymee Buckley. John is also survived by many nieces.

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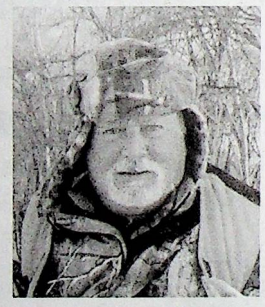
## Gregory C. Cavicchi, 77

Gregory Charles Cavicchi, a lifelong resident of Quincy, died peacefully on Monday, July 22, 2024, at the Carney Hospital in Boston. He was 77.

Greg was born in Quincy on June 15, 1947, and was the son of the late Charles and Helena (Bova) Cavicchi. He was raised in Wollaston, attended local schools and graduated from North Quincy High School. After graduation, Greg enlisted in the United States Navy, and proudly served his country during the Vietnam War. He was honorably discharged on September 6, 1967. Following his time in the service, Greg joined the United States Postal Service, and delivered mail in Quincy. He retired in 2002 after 35 years of service to the community.



GREGORY C. CAVICCHI

A true outdoorsman, Greg loved to hunt, golf, skimobile and archery.

Greg was the beloved uncle of Melissa A. Spicuzza and her husband Richard of Halifax, Denise O'Brien of Quincy, and Gary Cristina of East Bridgewater. He was preceded in death by his siblings Paul Cavicchi, Charlotte Breite, Ralph Cavicchi, Frances Cavicchi, Virginia O'Brien, Barbara Cavicchi. Greg is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, extended family and dear friends.

His funeral service was celebrated on Tuesday, July 30, 2024, in the Keohane Funeral Home, 785 Hancock St., Quincy.

Services concluded with interment in Mt. Wollaston Cemetery, Quincy.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent in Greg's name to the charitable organization of one's choice.

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## Paul F. Braman, 65

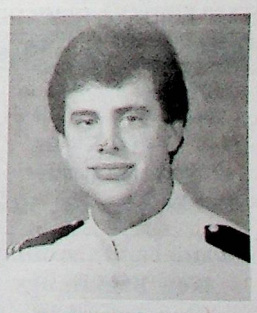
Paul F. Braman of Quincy died on July 20, 2024. He was 65.

Paul was born in Milton and raised in Merrymount, Quincy. Son of the late Paula (Clemens) and Herbert Braman. He is survived by his sisters Jane and Mary, Mary's husband Mark Neuwirth and his nephew Daniel Neuwirth. He enjoyed any time he could spend with Daniel.

Paul graduated from Thayer Academy and the Massachusetts Maritime Academy. He worked in sales across industries, but was most happy working with clients.

Paul enjoyed spending time on or near the water.

He pursued many hobbies including boating, tying flies, fishing, bike riding, building bikes, and stamp collecting. He enjoyed time spent walking along the beach.



PAUL F. BRAMAN

Paul will be missed by his family and loved ones.

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# Mary Lou 'Mal' Versage, 90

Mary Lou "Mal" Versage of Quincy, age 90, passed away on Wednesday, July 24, 2024, after a brief illness.

Mal was born on July 18, 1934, in Springhill, Minnesota to Lawrence C. and Hilda K. (Maus) Tiemann, and raised in neighboring Melrose. She met her husband Vincent A. Versage, while working as an undercover department store detective in Texas. Mal remained in retail throughout her career, with J.L. Hudson Co. in Michigan. Mal and Vince had two children, and relocated several times for Vince's work as an engineer, eventually settling in Livonia, Michigan, their home for over 30 years. It was here that her paintings filled their home and she became an accomplished rose gardener. After Vincent passed in 2005, Mal moved to Massachusetts to be close to her daughter. She resided at the Brookdale community in Quincy for 19 years.

In 1991 at the age of 56 Mal experienced a severe stroke. Afterward, she worked tirelessly to regain and maintain her strength

MARY LOU 'MAL' VERSAGE

and mobility and developed new interests and passions. She continued to enjoy gardening and was passionate about exploring the cities and towns of New England. She was a regular visitor to the exhibits at the Museum of Fine Art and Peabody Essex Museum, adored High Tea at the Boston Public Library, and relished her favorite water views at the stern of the Hingham Ferry to Boston. She returned annually to Michigan to celebrate holidays and maintain her relationships with friends there, and enjoyed trips throughout the East, from Maine to Florida. Her resilience, optimism, sense of humor, and genuine kindness combined to make her a warm presence and inspiration to all who knew her.

Mal was the beloved wife of the late Vincent A. Versage and devoted mother of Eve M. Versage of Boston, and Vincent A. Versace and his wife Sylvia Kahn Versace of Los Angeles and her extended family and second son Lane H. Decker and his wife Jeannie; loving sister of Frank Tiemann of MN and Melvin Tiemann and James Tiemann who both predeceased her. She was aunt to many nieces and nephews, and the cherished "Ms. Mal" to many dear friends and their children.

Visiting hours were held Tuesday, July 30th, in the Keohane Funeral Home, 785 Hancock St., Quincy. A Funeral Mass will be held at St. Cecilia Roman Catholic Church at 18 Belvidere St. in Boston on Wednesday, July 31st, at 10 a.m. Mal will be laid to rest with her late husband at Arlington National Cemetery.

Please consider making a memorial donation in Mal's name to the Bridge of Flowers, PO Box 335, Shelburne Falls, MA, 01370.

# Joyce M. O'Neill, 77

Joyce M. (McDonough) O'Neill, of Quincy, died peacefully in her home, surrounded by her loving family, on Thursday, July 25, 2024. She was 77.

Joyce was born in Boston on June 26, 1947, and was the daughter of the late Michael and Margaret (Joyce) McDonough. She was raised in South Boston and graduated from Gate of Heaven High School.

Joyce loved traveling and frequented Aruba, Las Vegas, and went on many cruises. She loved going to casinos to play her slots.

Joyce's pride and joy were her closest friends and her family. Her fondest memories were vacations with them and having them over for parties and cookouts.

Joyce was a devout believer in Saint Jude. It was that unwavering faith that carried her throughout her life.

Joyce was the beloved wife of James J. O'Neill Jr. The two married on Novem-

JOYCE M. O'NEILL

ber 13, 1971, in St. Mark's Parish in Dorchester. Together they shared 53 loving years of marriage. She was the devoted mother of Katie O'Neill of Quincy and Christine Freel and her husband Sean of Hanover. Joyce was the loving grandmother of Sean, Madison, Garrett, Declan, and Nolen Freel, all of Hanover, who were the light of her life. She was the dear sister of Kathleen Goggin and her husband Robert of Weymouth, and Andrew McDonough and his wife Mary of Weymouth. Joyce is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Joyce was blessed with many special friends, including life long friends, Elaine Deskins of Quincy and Barbara Foley of South Portland, Maine.

Visiting hours were held Tuesday, July 30, 2024, in the McDonald Keohane Funeral Home North Weymouth at 40 Sea St. (off Route 3A - Bicknell Square).

A Celebration of Life Service will be held in the funeral home at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, July 31, 2024, prior to the Funeral Mass in St. Joseph's Church, Quincy at 10 a.m.

Services will conclude with interment in Blue Hill Cemetery, Braintree.

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Joyce may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Pl., Memphis, TN 38105-3678 or by visiting: www.stjude.org.

See www.Keohane.com for flowers, directions, and online condolences.

# Dorothy E. Joyce, 87

Dorothy Elaine (McCarthy) Joyce, a beacon of love and kindness, passed away peacefully on July 26, 2024, at the age of 87. Born on Feb. 4, 1937, in Boston, MA, Dorothy was the cherished daughter of the late John and Mary Louise (VerKampen) McCarthy. She was a devoted wife, a loving mother, and a doting grandmother, whose warmth and friendliness touched the lives of all who knew her.

Dorothy spent her formative years in Boston before finding her lifelong companion in John Joyce. Together, they built a family that included her children, Teresa Ford and her husband Tom of Foxboro, Linda Swan-Kurtz and her husband James of Stoughton, and the late George Swan. Dorothy also embraced her role as a stepmother to Barbara Joyce of Florida, and the late John Joyce, Lynne Joyce, and Steven Joyce. Her legacy continued to grow with her grandchildren, Steven Winslow, Ashley Koons and husband Matthew, Jonathan Winslow and fiancée Casey, Brittany Ford and fiancé Steven, along with many step-grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Dorothy's professional life was marked by her dedication as a supervisor at the US Postal Service, where she was known for her strong work ethic and friendly demeanor. Her colleagues at the Postal Service, as well as those in the Randolph community where she resided after leaving Dedham, will remember her as a pillar of reliability

DOROTHY E. JOYCE

and kindness.

Her siblings, the late Mary McCarthy, Helen Dugdale, John McCarthy, and Robert McCarthy, shared in the joys and sorrows of life with Dorothy, and she will be fondly remembered by her many nieces and nephews. Dorothy's family was the centerpiece of her life, and she nurtured each relationship with the same tenderness and care that she showed to her beloved cats.

Dorothy's interests extended beyond her family and work. Her love for her feline companions was well-known, and she found great joy in the simple pleasures of life. Her friendly nature made her a cherished friend and neighbor, always ready with a kind word or a helping hand.

Those who had the privilege of knowing would describe her as loving, kind, and friendly. She had the rare ability to make each person feel valued and loved, and her presence was a source of comfort and joy to many. Dorothy's unwavering positivity and her nurturing spirit were her gifts to the world, leaving a lasting impact on the hearts of those she encountered.

As we bid farewell to Dorothy Elaine (McCarthy) Joyce, we celebrate a life lived with grace and generosity. Her memory will be treasured as a reminder of the profound difference one person's love and kindness can make. Dorothy's spirit will continue to inspire and guide us, and her legacy of love will endure through the generations.

A life so beautifully lived deserves to be beautifully remembered. Dorothy will be laid to rest in a private ceremony, surrounded by the family she adored and the memories that will forever keep her spirit alive. As we reflect on Dorothy's journey through life, we take solace in knowing that her story is one of love, family, and the enduring bonds that connect us all.

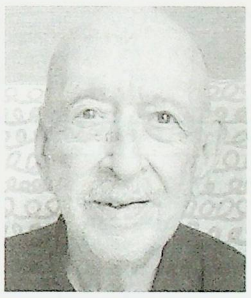
Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend visiting hours Wednesday, July 31st from 4:00-8:00 p.m. in the Cartwright Funeral Home, 419 North Main St., Randolph. A Funeral Mass will be held on Thursday, August 1st at 10 a.m. in Saint Bernadette Church, 1031 North Main St., Randolph. Burial to follow in Knollwood Memorial Park, 321 High St., Canton.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Dorothy's name to Saint Jude Children's Research Hospital or any local animal shelter.

# John E. Callahan Jr., 85

John E. Callahan Jr. of Quincy, formerly of Hingham and Holbrook, died unexpectedly at his home, following a brief illness, on Friday, July 26, 2024. He was 85.

John was born in Quincy on March 3, 1939, and was the son of the late John E. Sr. and Margaret (Darcy) Callahan. He was raised in North Quincy, attended local schools and graduated from North Quincy High School. Following high school, John enlisted in the Army National Guard. He enjoyed his time serving in the National Guard, and though he was not deployed, he was



JOHN E. CALLAHAN JR.

always ready and willing to serve his country. John's career was in commercial construction as a carpenter. He enjoyed his career and the relationships he built throughout the years.

John was the father of Michael Callahan of Hanover, Gregory Callahan of Florida, and Peter Callahan of Wareham. He was the grandfather of Maura and Emily. John is also survived by many extended family members and friends.

Following cremation, John's funeral services and interment will be held privately. Visiting hours are respectfully omitted.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be sent in John's name to the charitable organization of one's choice.

See www.Keohane.com for online condolences.

# John G. Kirk, 96

John Grayson Kirk passed away on July 25, 2024, at the Pat Roche Hospice Home in Hingham, Mass. He was 96 years old.

Born in Philadelphia on July 18, 1928, he grew up in Madison, Wisconsin; and Scarsdale, New York. He was the only child of Marion Sands Kirk and Grayson Louis Kirk, a noted political scientist and former president of Columbia University.

Kirk attended Scarsdale High School, Harvard University and Columbia University. After his studies, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy. A Lieutenant Junior Grade, Kirk served aboard the aircraft carrier USS Kearsarge during the Korean War.

After his military service, he embarked on a career in publishing, achieving great

JOHN G. KIRK

success as an editor. He started out as an editor with Free Europe Press, followed by a time as editor of Walker and Company. He then edited Diplomat magazine, which was published by Metromedia, and later became editor-in-chief of the trade book division of Prentice-Hall. He retired in the 1990s and enjoyed spending time with his wife, Eve Wengler Kirk, and pursued his many interests, which included travel, aviation, naval history and literature. He is the author of several books, including *America Now* and *Great Weapons of World War II*. A longtime resident of New York, he lived in Scarsdale, New York City and Bronxville. He spent his later years in Quincy, Mass., where two of his daughters and their families live.

He is survived by four daughters from his first marriage to Eleanor Huser Kirk: Diana Kirk, of Quincy, Mass.; Deborah Kirk, of Berkeley, Calif.; Dorian Kirk Glotzer (Mitchell), of Napa, Calif.; and Denise Kirk Dow (John), of Quincy, Mass., as well as two grandchildren, Ben Barrett and Kate Barrett.

See www.Keohane.com for online condolences.

# Massachusetts Legislature Passes Wage Equity Legislation

The Massachusetts Legislature last week passed An Act relative to salary range transparency that officials say takes a strong step towards closing the gender and racial wage gap in the Commonwealth. The legislation requires employers with 25 or more employees to disclose a salary range when posting a position and protects an employee's right to ask their employer for the salary range for their position when applying for a job or seeking a promotion.

When signed into law H.4890 would make Massachusetts the 11th state to mandate pay transparency by requiring employers to disclose salary ranges, according to the National Women's Law Center. H.4890 builds on the Legislature's 2016 passage of the Massachusetts Equal Pay Act, which prohibited wage discrimination based on gender and brought long-sought fairness and equality to workplaces in the state.

"With the passage of this legislation, Massachusetts is now one step closer to ensuring equal pay for equal work," said House Speaker Ronald J. Mariano (D-Quincy). "Pay transparency will not only make our workplaces more equitable, it will also make Massachusetts more competitive with other states. I'd like to thank Leader Gregoire and the members of the conference committee, as well as all my colleagues in the House, Senate President Spilka and our partners in the Senate, for their important work on this legislation."

"This is simple: everyone deserves equal pay for equal work, regardless of your gender, race, ethnicity, or background," said Senate President Karen E. Spilka (D-Ashland). "It is far too common for women and people of color to be paid less than their coworkers nationwide, and Massachusetts is not immune. By passing this bill, the Legislature stands united behind every worker—and with every business—in our

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**CITY OF QUINCY**
**BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS**

Notice is hereby given under Chapter 138 of the Massachusetts General Laws that an application has been received from Froyo Inc., doing business as Niveaux at YoCha, for an All-Alcoholic Beverages Restaurant License for the premises located at 406 Hancock Street. Proposed manager Hao Ming Cao. The proposed licensed premises is a street level 2,200 sq. ft. restaurant that will consist of a dining area, kitchen, and restrooms. There is also an 1,100 sq. ft. basement with office, storage, and cooler space. A hearing will be conducted at **4:00 p.m.** on **Tuesday, August 13, 2024**, at Quincy City Hall, first floor Boards and Commissions Room 1305 Hancock Street.

Nicole L. Crispo
Chair

8/1/24

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**CITY OF QUINCY**
**BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS**

Notice is hereby given under Chapter 138 of the Massachusetts General Laws that an application has been received from Avira Arjun, Corp doing business as Adams Shore Supermarket for a transfer of the Wines and Malt Beverages Package Store License presently held by Phillips of Quincy Inc., doing business as Adams Shore Supermarket, for the premises located at 486 Sea Street (also known as 494 Sea Street). The premises is a 6,500 sq. ft. retail grocery store that also offers wine and malt beverage retail sales. Proposed manager Arpan Patel. The application includes a pledge of the license, stock and inventory to Rockland Trust. A hearing will be conducted at **4:00 p.m.** on **Tuesday, August 13, 2024**, at Quincy City Hall, first floor Boards and Commissions Room 1305 Hancock Street.

Nicole L. Crispo
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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**CITY OF QUINCY**
**BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS**

Notice is hereby given under Chapter 138 of the Massachusetts General Laws that an application has been received from Primetime LLC doing business as Drifters Kitchen & Bar for a transfer of the All-Alcoholic Beverages Restaurant License presently held by Imemine LLC doing business as Idle Hour, for the premises located at 1464 Hancock Street. The premises is a street level restaurant of approximately 2,241 sq. ft. with both bar and table dining areas. There is also a basement for storage. Proposed manager William Falaro. The application includes a pledge of the license to Cape Cod Five Cent Savings Bank. A hearing will be conducted at **4:00 p.m.** on **Tuesday, August 13, 2024**, at Quincy City Hall, first floor Boards and Commissions Room 1305 Hancock Street.

Nicole L. Crispo
Chair

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

AT&T Mobility, LLC is proposing to modify an existing wireless telecommunications facility on a building located at 1000 Southern Artery, Quincy, Norfolk Co., MA 02169. The modifications will consist of the collocation of antennas at approx. 106ft above ground level (measured to the top of the antennas) on the 82ft tall building (106ft with all appurtenances). Any interested party wishing to submit comments regarding the potential effects the proposed facility may have on any historic property may do so by sending comments to: Project 021526-PR - AC, EBI Consulting, 21 B Street, Burlington, MA 01803, or at 312.579.7894.

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

City of Quincy Inspectional Services
**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**
**CASE NO. ZBA-24-51**

Pursuant to the provisions of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance of the Quincy Zoning Board of Appeals as amended, an Open Public Hearing will be held on **Tuesday, August 13, 2024** at **6:00 p.m.** in the First Floor Meeting Room, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy MA 02169, on the application of Bob Boynton for a Variance to construct an addition above the existing garage in the rear of the dwelling in violation of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance 4.0 Dimensional Regulations on the premises numbered 131 Bunker Hill Lane, Quincy, MA.

Plans and specifications may be viewed online at https://quincyma.portal.opengov.com/search

Martin Aikens, Chairman

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

City of Quincy Inspectional Services
**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**
**CASE NO. ZBA-24-7**

Pursuant to the provisions of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance of the Quincy Zoning Board of Appeals as amended, an Open Public Hearing will be held on **Tuesday, August 13, 2024** at **6:00 p.m.** in the First Floor Meeting Room, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy MA 02169, on the application of JBCT Architect for a Variance/Finding/Special Permit/FPOD to demolish existing structure and construct a Flood Compliant 3 story structure with an open garage in violation of the Quincy Zoning Ordinance 3.4.3 Nonconforming Structure, 4.0 Table of Dimensional Requirements, 5.1.4.1 Paving and 8.1.9 Special Permit/Flood Plain on the premises numbered 547 Quincy Shore Drive, Quincy, MA.

Plans and specifications may be viewed online at https://quincyma.portal.opengov.com/search

Martin Aikens, Chairman

7/25/24, 8/1/24

**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ)**

**Request for Qualifications (RFQ)**
***"Landscape Designer Services"***
**City of Quincy, Massachusetts**

**Notice**

The City of Quincy, acting through the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is soliciting Qualifications from Landscape Architects for design service and construction admin services for various small parklets around the City (approximately 15) to help design a Heritage Tree planting program and park improvement project to help celebrate the City's 400th anniversary as a settlement. The qualifications-based selection of professional services may include, *but are not limited to*, landscape design services, tree and plant material recommendation, hardscape design and recommendation, design development, final design documents to be bid under MGL Chapter 30, Section 39M, public bid support services, construction administration and construction oversight services, and any other related services or processes contemplated in MGL Chapter 7C.

Proposals will be received at the Office of the Purchasing Department; City Hall; 1305 Hancock Street; Quincy, MA 02169, until **Thursday, August 15, 2024 at 11:30 a.m. as specified in the RFQ.**

Detailed specifications are available on-line at the City of Quincy's website, www.quincyma.gov and also available at the office of the Purchasing Department, Quincy City Hall, 1305 Hancock Street, Quincy, Massachusetts, 02169, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

All inquiries regarding this bid should be directed to Kathryn R. Logan, Chief Procurement Officer by email: klogan@quincyma.gov and cc: mmarini@quincyma.gov. Inquiries will be accepted until August 9, 2024, at 12:00 p.m.

The City of Quincy Department of Natural Resources shall lead a QBS process that may include shortlisting firms for interviews. A designer fee has not yet been set and will be negotiated with the most Highly Advantageous respondent. The City of Quincy reserves the right to withdraw the RFQ; to reject any and all RFQ responses; and to accept the response deemed to be in the best interest of the City of Quincy.

**Non-responsive and/or unbalanced bids may be rejected.**

Thomas P. Koch, Mayor
David Murphy, Commissioner, Department of Natural Resources
Kathryn R. Logan, Chief Procurement Officer

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**LEGAL NOTICE**

**NOTICE AND ORDER:**
**Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor**
**Docket No. NO24P2043GD**
**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**
**The Trial Court**
**Probate and Family Court**
Norfolk Probate and Family Court
35 Shawmut Road
Canton, MA 02021

In the Interests of: **Icaro DePaula Pereira**
of **Quincy, MA**
Minor

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

**1. Hearing Date/Time:** A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on **07/24/2024** by **Rosemari Flavia DePaula** of Quincy, MA **Washington Pereira DaSilva** of Quincy, MA will be held **10/30/2024 9:00 AM Guardianship of Minor Hearing.**

Located **35 Shawmut Road, Canton, MA 02021**

**2. Response to Petition:** You may respond by filing a written response to the Petition or by appearing in person at the hearing. If you choose to file a written response, you need to:

File the original with the Court; and

Mail a copy to all interested parties at least five (5) business days before the hearing.

**3. Counsel for the Minor:** The minor (or an adult on behalf of the minor) has the right to request that counsel be appointed for the minor.

**4. Counsel for Parents:** If you are a parent of the minor child who is the subject of this proceeding you have a right to be represented by an attorney. If you want an attorney and cannot afford to pay for one and if you give proof that you are indigent, an attorney will be assigned to you. Your request for an attorney should be made immediately by filling out the Application of Appointment of Counsel form. Submit the application form in person or by mail at the court location where your case is going to be heard.

**5. Presence of the Minor at Hearing:** A minor over age 14 has the right to be present at any hearing, unless the Court finds that it is not in the minor's best interests.

ORDER TO PETITIONER(S)

**IT IS ORDERED THAT** copies of this Notice and the Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor be served in hand on the minor, (if 14 or more years of age and not the petitioner), the guardian, the parents of the minor, and any other person if ordered by the Court, at least **fourteen (14)** days prior to the hearing date listed above. **Service must be made by sheriff, constable, or other person approved by the Court.**

If Service in hand cannot be accomplished on any interested party, **IT IS ORDERED** that copies of this Notice and the Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor be served on the interested party by leaving at and mailing by regular first class mail to last and usual place of residence of the interested party at least **fourteen (14)** days prior to the date of hearing listed above.

If the identity or whereabouts of an interested party is **not known, IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that copies of this Notice and Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor be served on all interested persons at least **fourteen (14)** days prior to the hearing date by mailing first class mail and by publishing a copy of the Order and Notice once in **a paper circulating in Quincy, MA** publication to be at least **Seven (7)** days prior to the hearing date.

If required, service on the United States Veteran Administration and the Department of Children and Families may be accomplished by regular first class mail at least **Seven (7)** days prior to the hearing.

**THIS IS A LEGAL NOTICE:** An important court proceeding that may affect your rights has been scheduled. If you do not understand this notice or other court papers, please contact an attorney for legal advice.

Date: July 24, 2024

**COLLEEN M. BRIERLEY**
**Register of Probate**

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# Massachusetts Legislature Passes Wage Equity Legislation

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steadfast commitment to the fundamental principle that every person has the right to be treated and compensated fairly in the workplace. I'm thankful to Senator Jehlen for her work on the conference committee, each of the conferees, Speaker Mariano, and our partners in the House for their work on this critical legislation."

"If we're serious about closing the income inequality gap, we need to take steps like what we just did," said Sen. John F. Keenan (D-Quincy). "Thanks to my colleagues, Massachusetts will be a more equitable place for all who live and work here."

"Requiring employers to disclose salary ranges allows workers to fairly evaluate potential employment opportunities," said Rep. Tackey Chan (D-Quincy). "Increasing transparency encourages and creates accountability with employers and is imperative to closing the wage gap."

"I was pleased to join my colleagues in voting to pass An Act relative to salary range transparency, leveling the playing field for jobseekers and current employees and helping to ensure equal pay for equal work," said Rep. Bruce J. Ayers (D-Quincy). "Through the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce development, this bill also improves the Commonwealth's ability to track gender and racial wage data, building on the Equal Pay Act of 2016 to make Massachusetts a more equitable place to work."

The bill requires employers with more than 100 employees to share their federal wage and workforce data reports with the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development (EOLWD), which would then be responsible for compiling and publishing aggregated wage and workforce data to help identify gender and racial wage gaps by industry. The bill makes a necessary update, following the Equal Pay Act of 2016, to prevent earned wage adjustments from triggering the anti-spiking provision.

In Greater Boston, the 2023 gender wage gap was 21 cents, according to the Boston Women's Workforce Council. This gap becomes more pronounced when comparing white men and women of color, where Black/African American women face a 54-cent wage gap, Hispanic/Latina women face a 52-cent wage gap, and Asian women face a 19-cent wage gap.

Having passed both chambers, the bill now goes to the Governor's desk for her signature.

# Boston Didn't Need Olympics, Keenan Says

**By SCOTT JACKSON**

Beach volleyball players from around the world are competing for Olympic medals in the shadow of the Eiffel Tower this month. They could have been competing inside Squantum Point Park instead.

The United States Olympic Committee had put forward Boston as a potential host city for the 2024 Summer Olympics. The organizing committee behind the bid had proposed using the state-owned Squantum Point Park in North Quincy as the venue for beach volleyball after plans to use the Boston Common fell through.

The Boston bid was ultimately withdrawn amid flagging public support. The International Olympic Committee would later award the 2024 Olympics to Paris and the 2028 Olympics to Los Angeles, the only candidates who bid to host those games.

On the same day this summer's games officially began, Sen. John Keenan, a Quincy Democrat, said he did not believe at the time, nor does he believe now, that Boston needed to host the games. He did say, however, that the amount of planning that would have went into hosting the games "would've been great."

"My opinion at the time, and it's still my opinion, is that Boston didn't need the Olympics, but I was excited about the planning and the creative thought that went into what Boston could do to be ready for an Olympics. So, if we could have done that type of planning, followed through on that creative thought, and not have the Olympics, that would've been great," Keenan said.

"There was some thoughts about what could happen with the Fort Point Channel as it came down towards South Boston past the post office annex, what could be done with that. There was some thought as to what could be done at Widett Circle. There was a lot of talk about making sure the Red Line and the MBTA was ready for it, so it might have spurred more investment more quickly in the MBTA. So, those things were exciting, but the idea of having the Olympics, from an economics standpoint, in most cases it's shown there really is not a net gain.

"If you're maybe a city that's looking to raise your profile, it might be helpful, but I think Boston's profile was high enough. But I was really excited about some of the infrastructure talk that was going on that would have been worked on prior to the Olympics. Would the MBTA have been an entirely different system right now? I have been on the rail system that they developed in Athens for the Olympics when they had them there, and it's pretty impressive. The airport that they had some work on when they had them there, pretty impressive. So, it is a bit of a spur to those types of things, but overall, I don't think economically it's necessary here.

"And then you see what Paris has experienced now. The latest news is that they had some sort of terror threats on the trains, so all the train systems have been shut down. It's a different, more complicated world than it was even when Massachusetts was bidding on it."

Los Angeles, like Paris this year and London before it, will be hosting the Olympics for a third time. Keenan recalled the role he played in 1984, the last time Los Angeles hosted the games, when Harvard Stadium hosted preliminary soccer matches.

"It was 1984 when they had some early soccer competitions at Harvard Stadium for the Olympics – the Olympics were being held out in LA – so I was involved in that. I was doing laundry for the soccer teams as they came, that was my big role, but nonetheless I contributed. I have an Olympic soccer corner flag as a result," he said.

"I just remember everything that was involved in that, and that was planning for months and months for security and site issues, logistics. It was an enormous undertaking, and that was only for the preliminary rounds."

Two years from now, in 2026, the United States, Canada and Mexico will host the FIFA World Cup. Gillette Stadium in Foxborough will be one of the venues used for that tournament, which Keenan said, "would be exciting."

"[It's] a little bit more focused than the broad array of competitions that are covered by the Olympics," he said. "I think that will be exciting and maybe that will spur some thoughts as to what we do on infrastructure."

# OBITUARY

## Russell E. Kelcourse

RUSSELL E. KELCOURSE

Russell E. Kelcourse, a beloved husband, father, and friend, passed away July 2, 2024, in Brockton, MA. He was born on February 23, 1942, in Quincy, MA.

Russell's legacy of love, inspiration, and compassion will be remembered by all who had the privilege of knowing him. He has left an indelible mark on the hearts of many. May he rest in peace.

Funeral arrangements were made by the Keohane Funeral Home, Quincy.

# Take Action: Spotted Lanternfly

**Spotting the Spotted Lanternfly:**

Native to China, India, and Vietnam, the spotted lanternfly, an invasive plant hopper, was first discovered in 2014 in Berks County, PA.

The bug was first spotted in Boston in 2018, it has also been detected in 13 other states including: Delaware, Indiana, Maryland, Mass, Michigan, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Rhode Island, Virginia, West Virginia. This insect is a significant threat to grapes, hops, and lumber, and it poses a serious risk to our native ecosystems. It prefers the tree-of-heaven but will attack others such as roses, vines, and fruit trees.

Spotted Lanternfly eggs hatch late April – early May. Nymphs are black with white spots. They turn red with black spots in later stages. In July, they become adults, approximately 1" long and 1/2" wide, with black-spotted grey wings. The hind wings have contrasting patches of red and black with a white band; the legs and head are black; the abdomen is yellow with broad black bands.

Adult females lay egg masses on surfaces in late fall. Newly laid egg masses have a grey mud-like covering that can look dry and cracked over time. Old egg masses appear as rows of 30-50 brownish seed-like deposits in 4-7 columns, roughly an inch long.

**Spotted Lanternfly Impacts on Native Ecosystems:**

- Spotted lanternflies feed on sap from a wide range of plants, weakening them and making them more susceptible to disease and other stressors.
- Heavy infestations can significantly damage crops, orchards, and forests, affecting biodiversity and ecosystem stability.
- Spotted lanternflies can disrupt food chains and natural habitats, potentially reducing populations of native species that rely on affected plants.
- Invasive species like spotted lanternflies can outcompete native insects for resources, further disrupting ecological balance.
- Beyond ecological concerns, economic losses can be substantial due to crop damage and the costs associated with control efforts.

Infected trees and plants develop weeping wounds that leave a greyish or black trail along the trunk. The sap attracts other insects to feed, notably wasps and ants. The entire tree may become wilted.

"Knowing what egg masses look like and destroying them on sight is an important control tactic," says Brad Gould, ISA certified arborist at Hartney Greymont, a Davey company. Look on trees and smooth surfaces like stone, outdoor furniture, vehicles, etc. Be sure to inspect anything near a tree of heaven, as this tree type is particularly attractive to the spotted lanternfly.

If you see egg masses, scrape them off, double bag them in freezer bags, and throw them away. You can also place the eggs into alcohol or hand sanitizer to kill them. If you have tree species you'd like to protect, treat them with a systemic trunk treatment. Proactive treatments can reduce spotted lanternflies. You can also treat it with a foliar insecticide. Call a certified arborist if you're unsure if you have spotted lanternflies or want your trees checked. Gould says, "These invasive pests can wreak havoc on our trees and landscapes, but the good news is that with early detection and community awareness, we can help prevent the spread of spotted lanternflies and protect the native ecosystem."

If you spot a lanternfly, take pictures of the insect, egg masses, and/or infestation signs as described above (include something for scale such as a coin or ruler) and report it to the Massachusetts Department of Agriculture at https://massnrc.org/pests/slfreport.aspx. The Department of Agriculture is using the slogan, 'Look before you leave,' emphasizing the need to inspect vehicles and other items before traveling out of a quarantined county.

**LEGAL NOTICE**

**CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION**
Docket No. NO24P1998EA
**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**
**The Trial Court**
**Probate and Family Court**
Norfolk Probate
and Family Court
35 Shawmut Road
Canton, MA 02021
(781) 830-1200
**Estate of:**
Richard C. Bamberg
**Date of Death:**
06/02/2024

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Elisabeth H. Hayden** of **Northborough, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Elisabeth H. Hayden** of **Northborough, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

**You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 A.M. on the return day of 08/21/2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.**

**UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)**

**A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.**

**WITNESS, Hon. Patricia Gorman, First Justice of this Court.**

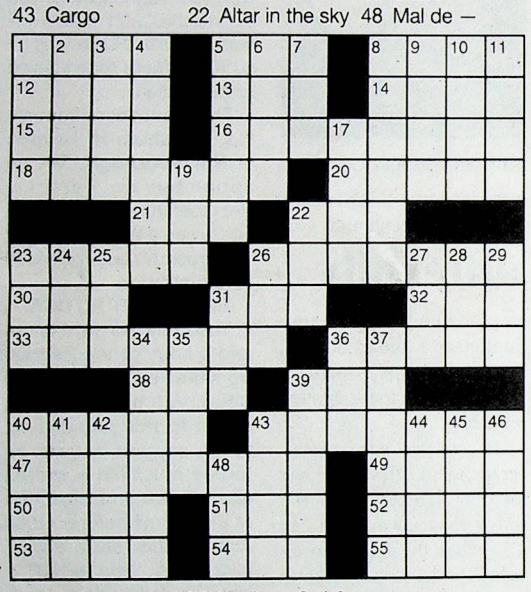
Date: July 19, 2024
**COLLEEN M. BRIERLEY**
**Register of Probate**
8/1/24

# SUN FUN PAGES

## King Crossword

**ACROSS**
1 Swear
5 Understood
8 Six-pack units
12 Slightly
13 French assent
14 October birthstone
15 Sultry Horne
16 Annoying
18 Michelangelo works
20 Pumped (up)
21 Medit. nation
22 "— Blue?"
23 Cook in the oven
26 Sun spot
30 Take courses?
31 Pie — mode
32 Felon's flight
33 Fake ally
36 Cavorts
38 Mel of baseball
39 UFO crew
40 Top floor
43 Cargo
47 First-termers
49 Contrite one
50 Staffer
51 Brit. record label
52 Actress Fisher
53 Colonial flag maker
54 "Norma —"
55 Harbor arrival

**DOWN**
1 Baby elephant
2 Cab alternative
3 Trig function
4 Equilibrium
5 Really dig
6 Belonging to us
7 Dead heat
8 Universal
9 Per person
10 Handle
11 Santa's ride
17 Docile
19 Chicago winter hrs.
22 Altar in the sky
23 Ump
24 Rowing need
25 Packed away
26 Aviate
27 Carrier to Amsterdam
28 Napkin's place
29 Ambulance initials
31 Invoice fig.
34 Loud sounds
35 Engrave
36 GPS suggestion
37 Egyptian deity
39 Golfer Els
40 Miles away
41 Half a sextet
42 Turner and Danson
43 Disaster aid org.
44 Get overemotional
45 Prefix with pad or port
46 Snare
48 Mal de —



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## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

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Differences: 1. Hand is moved. 2. Ear is larger. 3. Man is thinner. 4. Awning is different. 5. Tree is moved. 6. Cap is larger.

## Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. TELEVISION: What was SpongeBob SquarePants' original name when the story was pitched?

2. MOVIES: Which famous horror film was set at Crystal Lake, New Jersey?

3. LANGUAGE: In Great Britain, what are stabilisers?

4. MUSIC: Which band had a hit with the 1961 "The Lion Sleeps Tonight"?

5. GEOGRAPHY: How many U.S. states have a border with Mexico?

6. MATH: How many sides does a hectogon have?

7. INVENTIONS: In what year were flat-screen TVs first sold?

8. FOOD & DRINK: What kind of cheese is used in a caprese salad?

9. U.S. STATES: Which state's nickname is "The Land of Enchantment"?

10. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What kind of dog is Scooby-Doo in the animated cartoons?

**Answers**
1. SpongeBoy.
2. "Friday the 13th."
3. Training wheels.
4. The Tokens.
5. Four: California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas.
6. 100.
7. 1997.
8. Fresh mozzarella.
9. New Mexico.
10. A Great Dane.

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## Salome's Stars

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Don't gnash those pearly whites because you might have to delay your plans. This could give the Lucky Lamb a better perspective of what's been done and what still needs doing.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Scoring financial bull's-eyes is easy for the focused Bovine who knows the ins and outs of the marketplace. But even with your success record, caution is still the watchword.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Watch your tendency to romanticize a situation that should be given closer scrutiny. Better to be suspicious now and ask for an explanation, or face a sad surprise later.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) A bruised self-confidence can make things difficult, unless you accept the fact that you have what it takes. Ignore the critics and concentrate on believing in yourself. Good luck!

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Congratulations on what you've accomplished! But this is no time to curl up with some serious catnapping. Your rivals are probably already working on plans to overtake your lead.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Your adventurous side wants to play a more dominant role this week, and you might want to oblige. Try to arrange for a getaway with a special person.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Taking logical approaches to pesky workplace issues can help resolve even long-standing problems. A shift in policy might catch you by surprise. Be alert to signs of change.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Your kindness and compassion are exactly what are needed in dealing with an awkward situation during the early part of the week. Share the weekend fun with family and friends.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Keeping your focus straight and true is a good way of getting your points across. Save any variations for a later time. Meanwhile, the musical arts are important this weekend.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Reject advice to cut corners in reaching your goal. Better to take a little more time to do the job as you promised. You'll gain new respect for your honesty and integrity.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Don't allow a troublesome situation to grow so big that it will be increasingly difficult to deal with. The sooner you speak up, the sooner everyone will be able to benefit from the resolution.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Confronting someone who is making a lot of mistakes could be the kindest thing that you can do both for this person and anyone else who could be adversely affected by the errors.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You absolutely glow when you see beautiful things, and everyone around you is warmed by your light.

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## MAGIC MAZE • CHESS GAMBITS

R T Q N J G S D R A X U R O L
J G D A X V S I P N K I F C A
X V S Q O Z C L W J H E C A X
V T R O S E N T R E T E R R P
D N C A G P A L S J L H F D B
Y N R H N O I X V E T S A S R
P U U O I L V M P K P N I N O
D G E L K C T H S I N A D E K
D B Z X G W A U T E R V D E N
Q O N L J N L G I I G E F U E
D C A Y T X E V O W V T S Q B

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Unlisted clue hint: STAPLE ASIAN FOOD

Benko
Budapest
Chicago
Danish
Duras
Elephant
Englund
Evans
King's
Latvian
Lewis
Lopez
Queen's
Rosentreter
Vienna

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## Wishing Well®

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**HERE IS A PLEASANT LITTLE GAME that will give you a message every day. It's a numerical puzzle designed to spell out your fortune. Count the letters in your first name. If the number of letters is 6 or more, subtract 4. If the number is less than 6, add 3. The result is your key number. Start at the upper left-hand corner and check one of your key numbers, left to right. Then read the message the letters under the checked figures give you.**

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## CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: **B** equals **H**

HUAPB RGAUKEHG PUZH ZEPB G
DAMGTEJBKN BEFB VUVLKGPEUH
UD VGAPERLKGA SGSN SEAYJ
UD VAMN: TEYYN BGZT.

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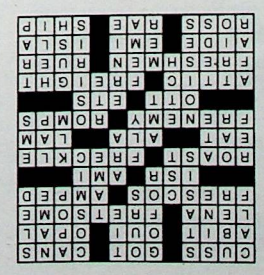
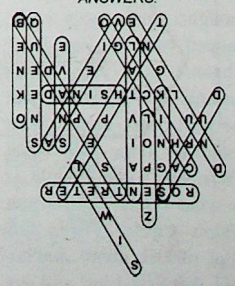
### — King Crossword — Answers

**Solution time: 23 mins.**



### Magic Maze ANSWERS:



**CryptoQuip answer**

North Carolina town with a freakishly high population of particular baby birds of prey: Kiddy Hawk.

# HOLLYWOOD

*by Tony Rizzo*

**HOLLYWOOD** – We have two tragic tales this week! Armie Hammer's breakthrough film *"The Social Network"* came in 2010, which he followed up with Clint Eastwood's *"J. Edgar"* (2011). Eleven films later, he hit it big opposite Timothée Chalamet in *"Call Me by Your Name."* His last film was 2022's *"Death on the Nile,"* then everything came crashing down.

Hammer was accused with sexual abuse, and cancel culture destroyed everything. His wife took their two children to the Cayman Islands, forcing him to follow them. He supported himself there by selling timeshare vacation packages to survive. Still, in 2023, his wife filed for divorce, and Hammer confessed that he's "broke but happier than ever." He explained, "The good place only comes from walking through hell. It was a brutal experience. Someone might look at me and go, 'Yeah, but financially you are in in a very different position than you've ever been in your entire life.'" The worst part is that after three years, his life was snatched away because of sexual abuse charges…yet no charges were ever filed. The Los Angeles District Attorney dropped all charges due to "insufficient evidence."

Another life destroyed by the court of public opinion! Today Hammer is now sober after entering rehab to battle his addictions to drugs, sex and alcohol. "Therapy's been a life changer," he admitted. "I experienced an ego death, a career death, a financial death."

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The second tragedy is the loss of exercise guru Richard Simmons, who passed away on July 13, at 76, due to natural causes. In 1979, as the West Coast editor of Soap Opera Digest, I was sent to a little exercise warehouse called Ruffage in Beverly Hills, California, to interview an exercise instructor. This instructor was giving actual classes on *"General Hospital,"* which became so popular that they kept increasing his appearances. The result of his popularity evolved into *"The Richard Simmons Show,"* which ran from 1980-84 and earned him multiple Emmy Awards. His video series *"Sweatin' to the Oldies"* became immensely popular and made him very rich. He became a huge fitness star!

Then, in 2014, it all ended when he disappeared from the spotlight. In 2016, speculations claimed that he was being held hostage by his housekeeper, but Simmons gave an audio interview to *"The Today Show"* denying those rumors. In March 2017, the L.A. Police Department visited his home to conduct a welfare check and stated that Simmons was perfectly fine. We'll never know what made him shun his success and become a recluse. He recently resurfaced with objections to Pauly Shore playing him in an upcoming film. Shore says he reached out to Simmons, but that they constantly played phone tag.

Early on, I was with agent Beverly Hecht when Simmons begged her to handle him. She told him, "They're not casting *'Peter Pan,'* Richard," to which he replied, "Too bad! I can fly without fairy dust!"

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## GO FIGURE!

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

**DIFFICULTY: ★**

★ Moderate ★★ Difficult
★★★ GO FIGURE!

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| ÷ | | + | | + | |
| | + | | - | | = 1 |
| = 7 | | = 5 | | = 10 | |

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

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# KOVELS Antiques & Collecting

*By Terry and Kim Kovel*

**Mechanical Banks** — A mechanical bank like this "Two Frogs" bank used to put on a show for as little as a penny. Place the coin on the flat spot on the small frog's chest, press the lever on the back of the bank, and the large frog opens its mouth to catch the coin as the small frog kicks it in.

In the 19th century, mechanical banks taught children that saving money could be fun. Now, collectors save up their money to buy them: This bank was the top seller at a Morphy auction, bringing in $12,800. Cast-iron mechanical banks from the late 19th to early 20th century have been popular collectibles since the 1950s, and they keep selling for high prices. Collectors look for examples in excellent condition with functional mechanisms and the original paint intact.

Mechanical banks are well-documented, with names (like "Two Frogs") coming from the advertisements and order forms where they originally appeared. Serious collectors are familiar with these advertisements, which also provide the bank's maker, date and original price: "Two Frogs" used to sell for 85 or 95 cents!

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**Q: I'm hoping you can help me with this question. I inherited this table from my great aunt. I'm interested in selling it, but have no idea who the maker is or if it's worth anything. She had it ever since I was a child; I'm 57. Can you help? If I need to pay for an appraisal, I'm willing to do so, depending on the cost.**

**A:** To estimate the date of a piece of furniture from family history, take your age and add 25 years for each generation before you owned the piece. By this method, your great aunt's table would be about 107 years old. However, this method isn't always accurate. If you don't know how old your relative was when they got the piece, you may estimate that the furniture is older than it really is. Without a maker's mark, it is difficult to determine the age of a piece of furniture from photographs alone. Remember that furniture styles are often copied or reproduced by later makers. Look for an appraiser in your area. You may find some online, in local business resources or listed in the Business Directory on Kovels.com. Tables that look similar to yours have sold at recent auctions for about $100 to $200.

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**TIP:** Never repaint an old bank. It lowers the resale value.

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**CURRENT PRICES**

• Auto, sign, traffic, "No Parking To Broadway," oval, raised letters, worn yellow paint, Village Board, metal, two-sided, 10 1/2 x 15 1/2 inches, $110.

• Bottle, barber, art deco, frosted, teal to clear, enamel flowers and leaves, green and white, gilt trim, pontil base, 8 inches, pair, $260.

• Folk art, whirligig, two figures, woman with washtub, man with bucksaw, wood, sheet iron, dated, 1872, 9 1/2 x 28 inches, $430.

• Lamp, electric, Osiris, chrome, round reflector, flat silk screen, column support, Thomas O'Brien, Visual Comfort Co., 60 x 16 inches, $960.

• Rug, hooked, clipper ship, on water, multicolor striped field, anchors and shells in corners, wood frame, 29 x 39 1/2 inches, $1,150.

*For more collecting news, tips and resources, visit www.Kovels.com*

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# Strange BUT TRUE

• In some Inuit (Eskimo) languages, a noun can have over 1,000 forms.

• Oxford University once had rules forbidding students from bringing bows and arrows to class.

• King Mithridates VI of Pontus took small doses of poison throughout his life to develop a resistance in case an attempt was made to kill him. He built up such a strong immunity that when he attempted suicide to escape capture by the Romans, the poison had no effect and he had to order a slave to dispatch him with a sword.

• Isaac Asimov's first bestseller was his 262nd published book.

• The record for spinning a basketball on a toothbrush is 1 minute and 8.15 seconds. (No, we never thought of spinning a basketball on a toothbrush, either.)

• Velociraptor noises in the film *"Jurassic Park"* were made by mating tortoises.

• In 1984, a Chihuahua named Percy was seemingly killed by a car while accompanying his owner, Christine, on a visit to her parents. Christine's father buried the dog in his garden, but a terrier named Mick, who belonged to her parents, dug up the grave, dragged Percy to the house, and licked him until a faint heartbeat could be detected. While Percy recovered, it's worth noting that the two dogs had always hated each other, and continued to do so after Percy's rescue!

• Historically, on Father's Day, more collect calls were made than on any other day of the year.

• China has more people who have learned English than the United States.

• In ancient Egypt, slaves were murdered to accompany their deceased owners to the afterlife.

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**Thought for the Day:** "I remind myself every morning: Nothing I say this day will teach me anything. So if I'm going to learn, I must do it by listening." *– Larry King*

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# Now here's a tip!

by Jo Ann Derson

• Clean baby food jars can be filled with small snacks like Cheerios and doled out in the car during longer trips. They hold just enough for a quick snack.

• "If you pull all the way into your garage, tack some carpet scraps to the wall that you pull in toward. It will protect the wall's paint, and it will protect your car's bumper if you accidentally rub the wall." *– U.F. in North Carolina*

• For dance recitals, make sure to get a recording of the music to be used. You also can videotape the practice performance and have the student watch it, pointing out the great parts and the parts that need work. *– via email*

• Stop runs in hose or tights by painting the bottom of the run with clear nail polish. Let dry and repeat. Do this while wearing them, and gently unstick from the skin. It works better when they are stretched as they will be worn, and you don't risk attaching it to the other side of the tights.

• "I somehow lost one of a pair of socks that had gripper dots on the bottoms of the feet, so they would be nonslip. I gave the odd sock to my mom, and she uses it as a jar or bottle opener. The gripper dots help her get a hold of the lid to unscrew it." *– R.J. in Ohio*

• To freshen a lunchbox, dampen a paper towel with plain vinegar and stick it inside the lunchbox. Leave overnight.

*Send your tips to Now Here's a Tip, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.*

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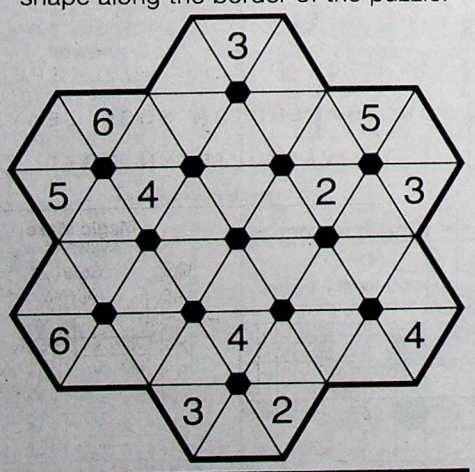
## SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.




**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆**

◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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## STICKELERS [sic].

by Terry Stickels

**Can you match the phobias on the left with their meanings on the right?**

| | |
|---|---|
| 1. sitophobia | a. fear of being alone |
| 2. xenophobia | b. fear of strangers |
| 3. monophobia | c. fear of blood |
| 4. hemophobia | d. fear of dogs |
| 5. cynophobia | e. fear of food |

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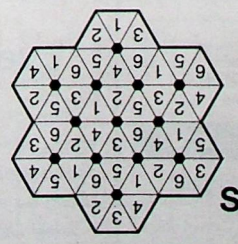
**SNOWFLAKES**

solution



**Go Figure!**

answers

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| 6 | + | 9 | + | 1 | = 15 |
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| 8 | - | 7 | × | 5 | = 5 |
| ÷ | | + | | + | |
| 2 | + | 3 | - | 4 | = 1 |
| = | | = | | = | |
| 7 | | 5 | | 10 | |

**Stickelers Answer**

1-e, 2-b, 3-a, 4-c, 5-d

# Super Crossword

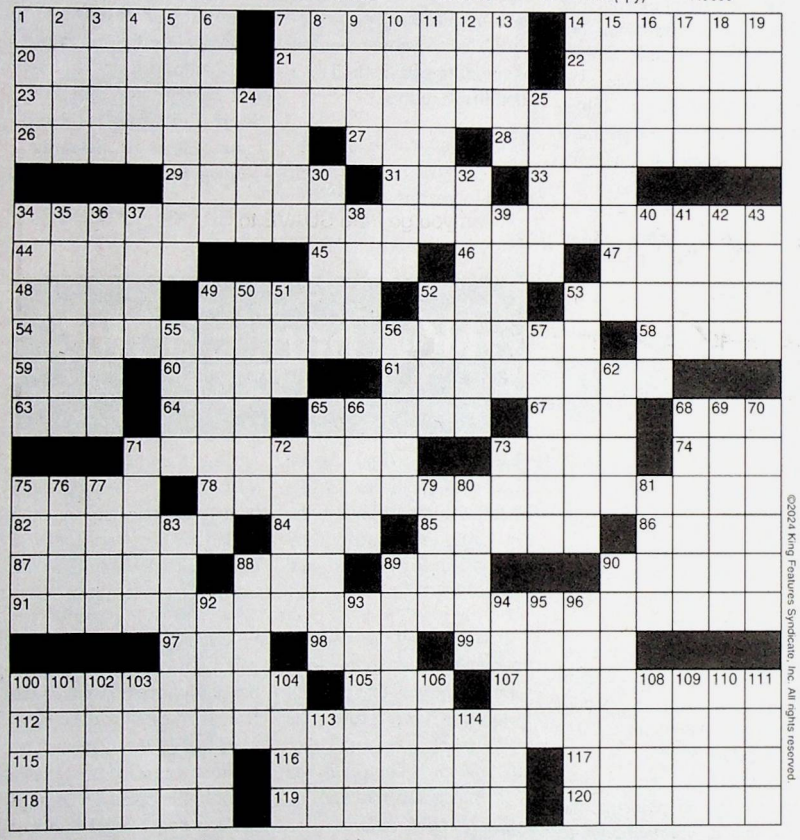
**GREAT PARKING SPOTS**

**ACROSS**

1 Fencing lunge
7 Large wine bottles
14 Derisive imitator
20 Theater area
21 U.S. soccer star Megan
22 Chimney flue, e.g.
23 Start of a riddle
26 Woes
27 Ketchup's color
28 "The Great Gatsby" star
29 Running the show, for short
31 Illinois' tree
33 Twisty letter
34 Riddle, part 2
44 Made gentle
45 Source of some milk
46 Source of some milk
47 Earthy color
48 Dark deli breads
49 Kind of internal-combustion engine
52 Bygone jet, for short
53 Just one sip
54 Riddle, part 3
58 Throw lightly
59 Shoe tip
60 Puzzle cube creator Rubik
61 Cousins of counties
63 Etchings, e.g.
64 Baseball hitter's stat
65 Shows' actors
67 With 83-Down, Idaho's nickname
68 TV drama of 2000-15
71 10K or marathon
73 Con job
74 Fabled bird
75 Japanese wrestling
78 Riddle, part 4
82 Ionize, e.g.
84 Pioneered
85 Alternative to Roy Rogers
86 Slightly
87 Protruding belly button
88 Tax mo.
89 Tax pro
90 Ghana's largest city
91 End of the riddle
97 — -Cat
98 Raw metal
99 Rip up
100 It fixes off-key singing
105 "I'd say," to texters
107 Simple wind instruments
112 Riddle's answer
115 Enkindle
116 Peanut, castor bean or canola
117 Long pastry
118 Earned after taxes
119 Cozies up
120 Taco exteriors

**DOWN**

1 Quick haircut
2 Old 45 player
3 Performs like Cardi B
4 Title bee-keeper of a 1997 film
5 Raged violently
6 Subjects of discussion
7 City in central California
8 "— -di-dah!"
9 On — with (much like)
10 Distribute
11 At a future point in time
12 Trio before Q
13 Blood fluids
14 Simba's father in "The Lion King"
15 Unfilled part of a schedule
16 PC key near Shift
17 2009-10 "American Idol" judge DioGuardi
18 Scraped (out)
19 Funny Foxx
24 Viking Ericson
25 Funeral poem
30 Assemblage
32 Mouths or faces, slangily
34 Tiers
35 Singer Swift
36 Eggy entree
37 Remainder
38 Seaport on Italy's "heel"
39 "That's a lie!"
40 Future docs' exams
41 Very, very
42 Match divisions
43 Very, in Paris
49 Long-winded
50 Limited
51 Gold, in Gijon
52 Edinburgh inhabitant
53 Patterned wool blankets
55 Long deli sandwich
56 "Barnaby Jones" star Buddy
57 Major protest
62 Kind of internal-combustion engine
65 Mollycoddle
66 Battery liquid
68 Thing relied on for support
69 Like a day in June, per a Lowell poem
70 Roofing problem in cold weather
71 In favor of the idea
72 Activist Nader
73 Long deli sandwich
75 Garbage boat
76 "Nothin' doin' "
77 — Hari (spy)
79 Stare stupidly
80 Unravels
81 Envoy's skill
83 See 67-Across
88 Woe
89 One who may study bonds
90 CIA spy Ames
92 Accustomed
93 Test runs
94 Triads, e.g.
95 Western U.S. gas brand
96 Things raked in autumn
100 Neat as —
101 Compulsion
102 Color slightly
103 Fail to include
104 Inflation subj.
106 Pitcher Hershiser
108 Inactive
109 Actress Patricia
110 Edible bit of a pomegranate or litchi
111 Estonia and Latvia, once: Abbr.
113 Go fast, quaintly
114 — Wee Reese



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# celebrity extra

by Dana Jackson

**Q: I just saw the movie *"Twisters"* and was happy to see one of my favorite actresses, Maura Tierney, again. The last thing I saw her in was *"The Good Wife,"* but it was only a few episodes. What else has she done? – *W.T.***

**A:** Maura Tierney has been acting mainly on television for over three decades, but is probably best known for her roles on the sitcom "NewsRadio" *and another show you might have heard of – "ER."* *She went on to act in some independent films* and TV shows before landing another starring role in Showtime's *"The Affair"* with Dominic West (*"The Crown"*).

She followed that with a short stint on another Showtimes series *"Your Honor,"* starring Bryan Cranston (*"Breaking Bad"*), before landing another role on Showtime in *"American Rust,"* opposite Jeff Daniels (*"A Man in Full"*). But it only lasted two seasons.

Tierney can be seen in the current summer blockbuster movie *"Twisters,"* but she'll be returning to our television screens in a big way this fall as a detective on *"Law & Order."* This marks her return to NBC on Thursday nights since playing Dr. Abby Lockhart on *"ER."*

The original *"Law & Order"* returned to NBC after an 11-year hiatus in 2022. There have already been cast changes in just two seasons, with the departures of Sam Waterston, Camryn Manheim and Jeffrey Donovan. The length of Tierney's contract is unknown, but she'll bring a loyal fanbase with her regardless.

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**Q: Did Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie ever officially divorce? If not, how long has it been going on? – *E.S.***

**A:** Even though the A-list couple split in 2016, they're still battling it out in court over their businesses. However, a judge did declare them legally single, but the business and custody issues are still being fought out in court. Pitt is suing Jolie for $67 million after she sold her shares of their French winery. Jolie also protested a judge's decision to grant Pitt 50/50 custody.

Pitt's relationship with his children might be beyond repair. Daughter Shiloh filed a petition to legally drop her father's surname when she turned 18, and two other daughters, Zahara and Vivienne, both dropped his name informally.

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**Q: Did they use any CGI for the cat in the new *"A Quiet Place"* prequel? It looked real, but I'd be amazed if they didn't use any special effects. – *V.T.***

**A:** For the motion picture *"A Quiet Place: Day One,"* director Michael Sarnoski wanted the emotional support cat Frodo to "feel like a real character." Instead of generating one with CGI special effects, the movie cast two real felines to play the role of Lupita Nyong'o's service animal. The cats' real names are Nico and Schnitzel and reportedly got along well offset (no cat fights!). They received about 12 weeks of training in various wet and dry situations before filming. Nico and Schnitzel did such a great job, but it's too bad there's not a special category at the Oscars for four-legged actors.

**Maura Tierney** in "Twisters" (2024)

Photo: *Courtesy of Universal Pictures*

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# Even Exchange

by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Flambeau | __ __ R __ __ | One of the 5 senses | __ __ U __ __ |
| 2. Ask forgiveness | __ __ P __ __ __ | Of late | __ __ C __ __ __ |
| 3. Papa | F __ __ __ __ __ | Foam for whiskers | L __ __ __ __ __ |
| 4. Heroic | __ __ __ __ E | Hurray for you! | __ __ __ __ O |
| 5. Tennis paddle | __ A __ __ __ __ | Space ship | __ O __ __ __ __ |
| 6. Cyclist | __ I __ __ __ | Bread maker | __ A __ __ __ |
| 7. River transport | __ __ __ __ E | Religious law | __ __ __ __ N |
| 8. Queen's partner | __ __ __ N __ | Went by car | __ __ __ V __ |
| 9. Roof of the mouth | __ __ __ __ T __ | Royal habitat | __ __ __ __ C __ |
| 10. Redden in the face | __ L __ __ __ | Groomer's need | __ R __ __ __ |

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# Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆**

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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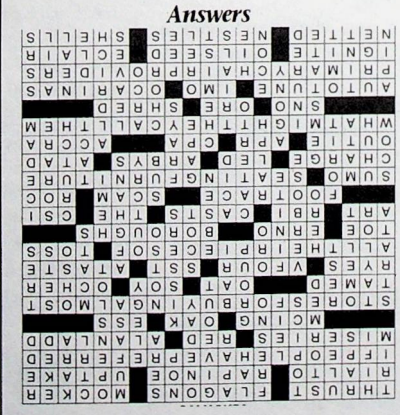
## Super Crossword

### Answers



## Even Exchange

answers

1. Torch, Touch
2. Repent, Recent
3. Father, Lather
4. Brave, Bravo
5. Racket, Rocket
6. Biker, Baker
7. Canoe, Canon
8. Drone, Drove
9. Palate, Palace
10. Blush, Brush

# FEAR KNOT™

By: rj johnson

DOUBT? ...OR DARE!

♥AGT
MADITO
DAGNO
♥RBDA
BELAGE
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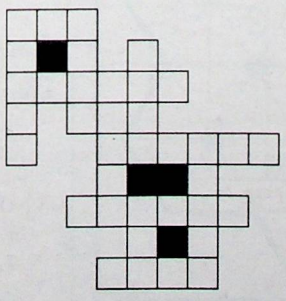

Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. **HAGNEC** becomes **CHANGE**). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked ( ♥ ) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥**RATHE** becomes **HATER** or **EARTH** or **HEART**). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.

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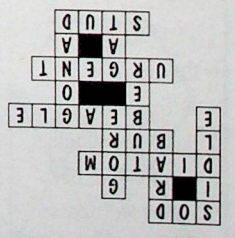
## FEAR KNOT answer



## Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

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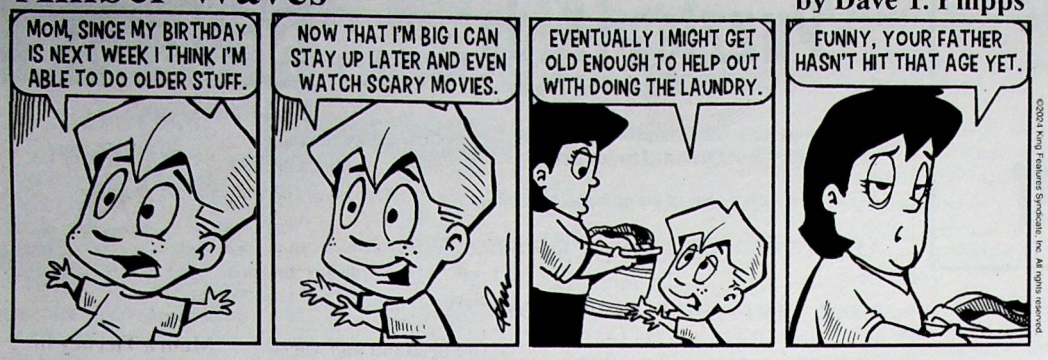
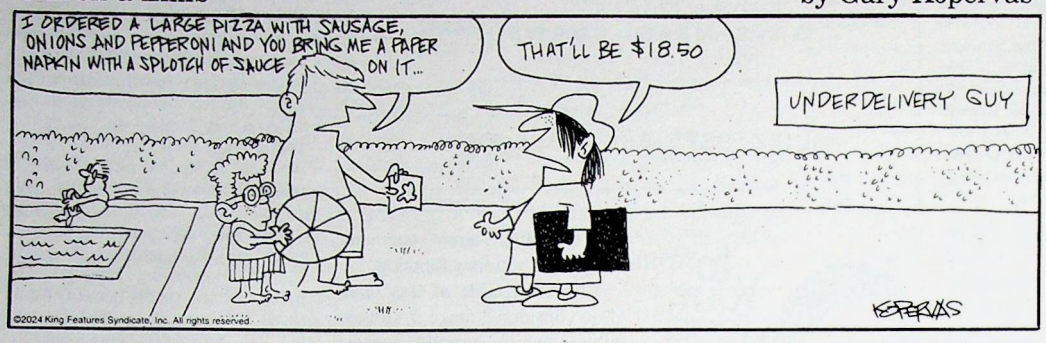
# Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps

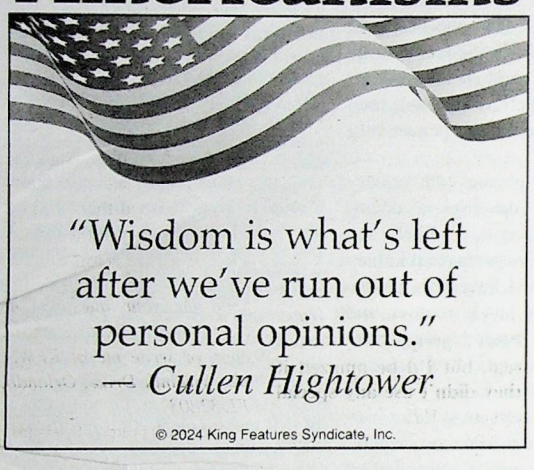



## Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas

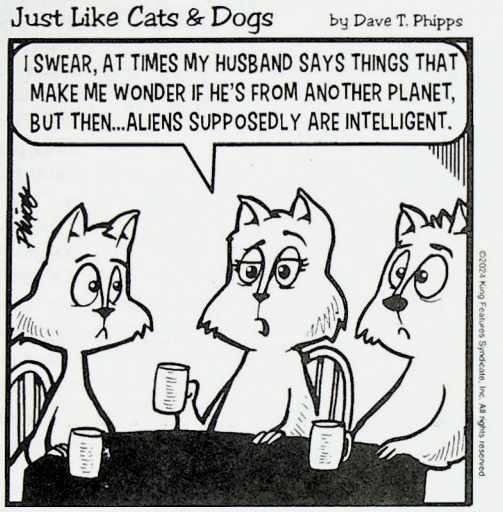



# Americanisms




## Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



## Flying with a pet: Preparation is key

**DEAR PAW'S CORNER: My family is taking a vacation to Orlando in three months, and we want to take our Bichon Frise, "Arabelle," with us. She is a small-medium size dog. Can we take her aboard the plane as an emotional support animal, or do we have to pay? –** ***Carol in Minneapolis***

**DEAR CAROLE:** You'll have to pay for Arabelle to accompany you on the aircraft, and I recommend you book as soon as possible. Airlines offer limited space for small and medium size pets to ride in the passenger cabin with you.

Since a 2020 ruling by the Department of Transportation, only trained dogs that perform specific tasks to aid a person with a disability can be classified as service dogs. Most airlines no longer allow emotional support animals, as they are not considered service animals.

Here are some important tips for traveling by air with your pet:

– Book as early as possible to reserve a space for your pet to travel in the cabin.

– Expect to pay between $100 and $200 for pet accommodation on your flight.

– Your pet must be well-behaved and responsive to your commands; cabin crew can ask you to deplane if your pet does not behave.

– Smaller pets should be kept in a carrier. They should be able to stand, turn around and lie down inside the carrier.

– Visit the veterinarian for a pre-travel checkup, and make sure your pet is up to date with all vaccinations, especially rabies. Airlines won't allow unvaccinated pets to fly.

– Exercise and feed your pet before leaving for the airport.

– Arrive early. Running late can stress you and your pet.

Get more tips at the AARP's website: https://tinyurl.com/3ex23uw9

*Have you flown with a pet? How did it go? Tell me about it at ask@pawscorner.com.*

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## WORD LADDERS

Can you go from SUAVE to SHAKE in 6 words? Change one letter for each rung in the ladder.

**SUAVE**

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_____

_____

**SHAKE**

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## SCRAMBLERS

**Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!**

Blank
**BEASTN** __ __ □ __ __ □

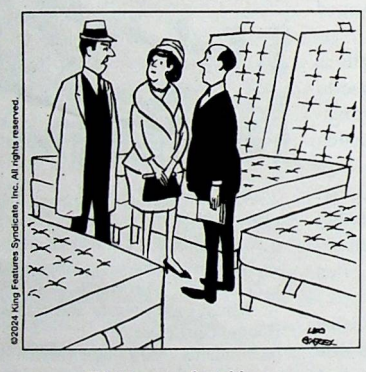
Save
**SECURE** __ __ __ __ □ __

Scowl
**LAGER** □ __ __ __ __

Young
**GENRE** __ __ □ __ __

**TODAY'S WORD**

__ __ __ __ __

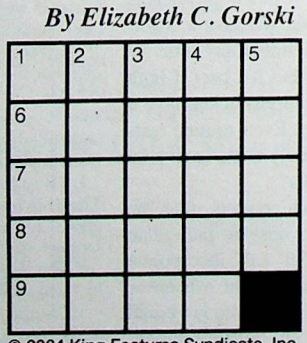



"Not too comfortable now.

It's for the __ __ __ __ __ room."

## Micro Crossword

*By Elizabeth C. Gorski*



**Across**

**1** Tailgate coolers
**6** Luxury box setting
**7** Fashion mistakes
**8** Fennel-like herb
**9** Pablo Neruda's "Ode ___ Socks"

**Down**

**1** 1978 co-Nobelist from Egypt
**2** City on the Penobscot River
**3** Casual jacket fabric
**4** Fidgeting
**5** Wedding RSVP amenity

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## Here's what to watch and where to watch it for the week of August 5, 2024

**ON NOW:** "Batman: Caped Crusader" (Season 1) – *Prime Video*

**ON NOW:** "Godzilla Minus One/Minus Color" (PG-13) – *Netflix*

**ON NOW:** "Unstable" (Season 2) – *Netflix*

**6-Aug:** "Winning Time: The Rise of the Lakers Dynasty" (Season 2) – *Max*

**7-Aug:** "Secret World of Sound with David Attenborough" (Docuseries) – *Netflix*

**8-Aug:** "Hard Knocks: Training Camp with the New York Jets" (Docuseries) – *Max*

**8-Aug:** "The Umbrella Academy" (Season 4) – *Netflix*

**9-Aug:** "Yo Gabba GabbaLand!" (TV-Y) – *AppleTV+*

**9-Aug:** "The Instigators" (R) – *AppleTV+*

**11-Aug:** "SEAL Team" (Season 7) – *Paramount+*

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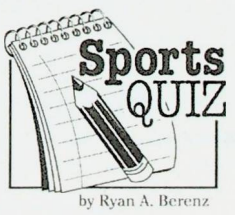


by Ryan A. Berenz

1. What college basketball team has former NBA stars Kurt Rambis and Steve Nash among its alumni?

2. Herb Carneal was a radio play-by-play broadcaster for what Major League Baseball team from 1962-2006?

3. Jack Nicklaus has three wins at The Open Championship (1966, 1970 and 1978), and he has the most second-place finishes at the tournament with how many?

4. Randy Cunneyworth was interim head coach of what NHL team in 2011-12?

5. Bo Nix, 2024 first-round NFL Draft pick for the Denver Broncos, holds the NCAA record for games started by a college quarterback with how many?

6. The Kyalami Grand Prix Circuit, the site of 20 FIA Formula 1 World Championship races from 1967-93, is located in what country?

7. Sasha DiGiulian is a three-time U.S. national champion and 2011 world champion competing in what sport?

**Answers**

1. The Santa Clara University Broncos.
2. The Minnesota Twins.
3. Seven from 1964-79.
4. The Montreal Canadiens.
5. 61.
6. South Africa.
7. Sport climbing.

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## Micro Crossword

Answer

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| S | T | N | O | D |
| A | N | E | R | A |
| S | A | D | O | S |

**WORD LADDER**

Answer

SUAVE, SHAVE, SHADE,
SHADY, SHAKY, SHAKE

**SCRAMBLERS**

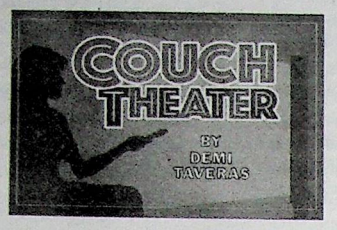
*solution*

GUEST

*Today's Word*

1. Absent; 2. Rescue; 3. Glare; 4. Green

# MORE SUN FUN




**"Dirty Pop: The Boy Band Scam"** (TV-MA) — This docuseries out now takes a deep dive into the life and career of talent manager Lou Pearlman, who launched legendary boy bands like the Backstreet Boys and NYSNC. Although he had an exceptional eye for spotting talented musicians, Pearlman was a bit of a scammer. Having run one of the longest-running Ponzi schemes in United States history, he created a ton of enemies and left his company with more than $300 million in debt. Not only did his scamming tarnish his legacy as a music mogul, Pearlman was also accused of sexual harassment by Rich Cronin, the former lead singer of LFO, and many others; however, nothing has ever come out of those claims. (Netflix)

**"Lisa Frankenstein"** (PG-13) — Starring Kathryn Newton ("Big Little Lies") and Cole Sprouse ("Riverdale"), this comedy-horror film puts a fun, campy spin on the Frankenstein trope. Taking place in 1989, Newton plays Lisa Swallows, a misunderstood teenage goth girl. After fumbling with her crush and barely escaping the clutches of her grimy lab partner, Lisa mourns her bad luck by visiting the grave of a young pianist who died in 1837. Little does she know that casually doting on a handsome man's burial site could bring him back to life! Now a full-fledged zombie, the pianist, known hereafter as The Creature, breaks into Lisa's home and forms an oddly delightful bond with her. But can a human girl really get her happily ever after with a zombie? Premieres July 30. (Amazon Prime Video)

**"Love Island USA, Season 6"** (TV-MA). — With summer comes a new season of "Love Island," whether you're in the United States, the United Kingdom, or even France or Australia! But for those of us from the Western Hemisphere, we usually like to dial in on the USA Islanders, and it's an interesting bunch this time around! In true "Love Island" fashion, a few Islanders from the past were brought back into the villa, such as Robert Rausch who was on the previous season, but new additions include "The Traitors UK" season 1 winner Aaron Even, and Kordell Beckham — the younger brother of NFL wide receiver Odell Beckham Jr. The real difference you'll notice this year is new host Ariana Madix, of "Vanderpump Rules" fame. All 32 episodes are out now, and they're full of out-of-pocket moments. So, grab a bevvy and get to watching! (Peacock)

Courtesy of MovieStillsDB

**Cole Sprouse, left, and Kathryn Newton star in "Lisa Frankenstein."**

**"Sunny"** (TV-MA) — Rashida Jones ("Parks and Recreation") leads this black-comedy series that takes place in Japan. She portrays an American woman named Suzie, whose husband and son suddenly disappear in a plane crash. Shortly following their disappearance, Suzie is gifted with a cute domestic robot named Sunny that was supposedly a creation of her husband. Confused, since she thought he worked in refrigerators, Suzie feels pushed to investigate further into the robotics company that her husband worked for, but the path it leads her down is filled with mystery, violence and secrets. Four episodes are out now, with the remaining six releasing every Wednesday. (Apple TV+)

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## Contract Bridge

BRIDGE IS A LOGICAL GAME

West dealer.
East-West vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ K Q 10 6 4 3
♥ 10 9 8 3
♦ 7 2
♣ 7

WEST
♠ J 9 7 2
♥ K 6
♦ —
♣ A K Q J 8 5 3

EAST
♠ 5
♥ 7 2
♦ A K J 8 6 5 4
♣ 10 9 6

SOUTH
♠ A 8
♥ A Q J 5 4
♦ Q 10 9 3
♣ 4 2

The bidding:

| West | North | East | South |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 ♣ | 2 ♠ | 3 ♦ | 3 ♥ |
| 4 ♣ | 4 ♥ | 5 ♣ | Dble |
| Pass | 5 ♥ | Dble | |

Opening lead — king of clubs.

Bridge is as much a game of inference and logic as it is of mathematics. Declarer can often deduce the distribution of the unseen hands by assessing what the defenders either did or did not do during the bidding or play.

Take this case where West leads the king of clubs and continues with the ace. Declarer ruffs in dummy and loses a trump finesse to West's king. Back comes a trump, won by South with the jack.

Declarer thereupon plays the ace and another spade and, after West follows low, finesses the ten! South then discards all four of his diamonds on dummy's spades and so makes five hearts doubled. Without the finesse, he would go down one.

How can South possibly know to take the second-round spade finesse? Is this just a matter of luck, or is there a sound basis for it? The answer is that South knows the finesse will win. He reaches this conclusion by correctly interpreting the opponents' bidding and play.

Let's see what South knows about the opposing hands when he reaches the point of decision at trick six. Declarer's only sure knowledge is that each defender had precisely two hearts.

But South can also rationally conclude that West would surely have led a diamond at either trick two or trick four if he had one, and that his failure to do so indicates that he is void of diamonds. This gives East seven diamonds, the two hearts he has already played and — since he raised clubs during the bidding — at least three clubs, leaving him with at most one spade. Therefore, West must have exactly four spades after East follows to the first spade. No other distribution is possible.

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by Steve Becker

## Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

### CODED RIDDLE

Change each letter to the one that comes immediately BEFORE it in the alphabet to find a riddle and its answer.

Here's a copy of the alphabet to guide you:

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

X I Z  B S F  H P P E  G S J F O E T  M J L F

_____

G P V S – M F B G  D M P W F S T ?

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U I F Z  B S F  I B S E  U P  G J O E .

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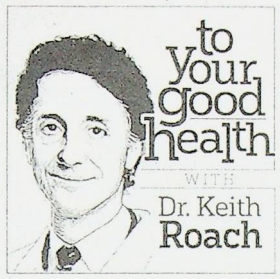


### High Creatinine and GFR Levels Signify Severe Kidney Damage

**DEAR DR. ROACH: Last summer, a city policeman came to my door. My doctor had been unable to contact me with the results of a recent blood test and called the police. The policeman handed me a card with the results written on it. My creatinine level was 4.1, and my glomerular filtration rate (GFR) was 14. He said the numbers indicated that my kidneys were failing and that I should go to the emergency room immediately. Except for swelling in one ankle, I had no symptoms.**

**During a day and a half in the hospital, I lost 14 pounds of fluid after the insertion of a catheter. Within two weeks, my creatinine level was measured at 2.1. After a few months of wearing the catheter, my prostate was "trimmed back" (my words, not the doctor's) using a procedure called a "TURP." I am back to normal.**

**What is a TURP, and how routine is it? Are there any long-term negative effects? How close did I come to kidney failure? -- *T.J.R.***

**ANSWER:** Your problem was obstruction of urine flow due to an enlarged prostate. The urethra (the tube that carries urine out of the body) goes right through the middle of the prostate, and an enlarged prostate can block flow partially or completely. This is a very common problem. Sometimes the urine flow stops entirely, but this doesn't have to happen in order for kidney damage to occur. It's the increased pressure in the bladder that causes damage.

Creatinine is an end product of protein metabolism, and since it is removed by the kidney, it's a good indicator of kidney function. The higher the creatinine level, the worse the kidney function. The creatinine level (along with age and sex) are used to estimate the GFR, a direct statement of a person's kidney function.

A (stable) GFR of less than 15 is considered stage 5 kidney failure, which usually means that dialysis will be necessary to preserve life. Note that creatinine itself isn't the problem; it's a marker for the fact that the kidney can't remove all the other waste products, which will then build up and make a person very ill.

When a person with urinary obstruction develops a creatinine level over 6, it's likely that they will have permanent kidney damage, but I have seen people with higher levels recover and some with lower levels experience permanent kidney function loss. My guess is that you were only a few days away from having permanent damage.

A trans-urethral resection of the prostate (TURP) is a traditional treatment for an enlarged prostate. Although newer treatments are often used in situations where there is plenty of time to spare, a TURP is a routine treatment for the type of obstruction you had. There are possible long-term side effects from a TURP, such as erectile dysfunction, but those are usually noticed immediately after surgery and often get better over time.

Finally, a plea: Make sure that your doctor has your up-to-date contact information, including your emergency contacts. We physicians are very grateful to have the police available for emergencies, but would rather not have to use them. I try to remind my resident physicians to be sure that we have a working contact number any time we order a test, but it's best if both the patient and physician have it on their lists. Even routine tests can occasionally come back with critical results.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual questions, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu.

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Why are good friends like four-leaf clovers?

They are hard to find.

## SENIOR NEWS LINE

by Matilda Charles

### Why seniors need to adopt a pet

Animal shelters across the country are loaded with adoptable animals, with more coming in all the time. How did this happen?

When the pandemic started and people were locked at home, many decided the time was perfect to adopt a pet. But now that offices have reopened and the kids are back in school, those pets have, in too many cases, become a chore no one has time for anymore. Thousands of pets have ended up in the shelters, not through any fault of their own. And they need loving homes.

That's where we come in.

We seniors spend more hours at home, for the most part, and we have the time to take care of one (or more) of those little creatures. We have so much to give them, and they deserve it.

But it's not a one-way street. Having a pet to care for has big benefits for us as well, both physical and psychological.

Research shows that we're happier in general when we have a pet and we hold off cognitive decline, because these little furry guys keep us thinking, remembering, sticking to a routine and planning for their care.

When we have a pet, we reduce the risk of cardiovascular disease, blood pressure goes down, and we get exercise if walking a dog (and meet up with other dog owners along the way). Cholesterol levels go down and so does our stress. And we have the satisfaction of taking care of another living creature who rewards us with love.

If you live in a place where it's impossible to have a pet, you can still get the benefits of being around animals. Walk the dogs at the shelter and play with the cats several days a week to distract them from the noisy chaos of that environment. Your efforts will be very much appreciated.

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1. Who was the first to release "Talk to Me, Talk to Me"?
2. Who released "Love Is Strange"?
3. Name the first song released by the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band.
4. Which group wrote and released "Behind Blue Eyes"?
5. Name the song that contains this lyric: "You're asking me will my love grow, I don't know, I don't know, You stick around, now it may show, I don't know, I don't know."

**Answers**

1. Little Willie John, in 1958. The most popular version, however, was released by Sunny & the Sunglows, later named Sunny & the Sunliners, in 1963. The song was written by group member Joe Seneca.
2. Mickey and Sylvia, in 1957. The song was covered by several others and ended up being used in the "Dirty Dancing" soundtrack in 1987.
3. "Buy for Me the Rain," in 1967. Their big hit was in 1970, "Mr. Bojangles," followed by "An American Dream" in 1979.
4. The Who, in 1971. It was penned by band member Peter Townshend.
5. "Something," by the Beatles, in 1969. The song was released on their "Abbey Road" album. Very quickly the song was certified gold and within 10 years over 150 other artists had covered the song.

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# Quincy Native Trains To Serve With Navy Chaplain Corps

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MILLINGTON, Tenn. - Lt. j.g. Lesley Chen, a native of Quincy, is training at the Naval Chaplaincy School to serve as a chaplain for America's seafaring warfighters.

Chen graduated from North Quincy High School in 2011. Additionally, Chen studied at Concordia Seminary for eight years.

The skills and values needed to succeed in the Navy are similar to those found in Quincy.

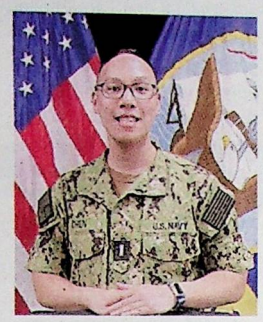
"I've learned to be courageous, just like the service members who have gone before me," said Chen.

Chen is new to the Navy.

"I joined the Navy because it was the only branch to attend my career fair," said Chen.

More than 800 Navy chaplains from more than 100 faith groups, including Christian, Jewish, Muslim and Buddhist, serve in the Navy Chaplain Corps. After seven weeks of training at Naval Chaplaincy School and Center at Naval Station Newport, Rhode Island, the chaplains set on their mission to provide support and guidance to sailors, Marines and Coast Guardsmen at sea and on the shore.

"In conversations about national defense, you hear about great power competition and competition among peers and near-peers," said Capt. Charles Varsogea, chaplain and commanding officer of the Naval Chaplaincy School. "The people of the U.S. Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard have no peers. Part of what makes them peerless defenders of the Constitution is their determination to do so with body, mind, and spirit. No



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nation on earth can replicate the fighting spirit of our sea services. The graduates of our Basic Leadership Course are trained, developed, and inspired to give our seagoing warfighters the strength of spirit necessary to complete their missions with honor."

Chaplains and religious program specialists (RP) play a critical role in helping the Department of the Navy achieve and maintain a ready force through the delivery of professional religious ministry and compassionate pastoral care. Chaplains and RPs are embedded within commands operating at sea and ashore to ensure 24/7 availability. They provide a source of comfort and refuge that enables service members and their families to practice and grow in their faith and to face personal and professional challenges.

"Navy chaplains encourage their shipmates to connect to the ultimate good and to a community that shares their convictions about what or who that good is," said Varsogea. "Navy chaplains help people find the value, the meaning, and the purpose of their lives. Navy chaplains support people in their willingness to serve and sacrifice for the greater good."

In the Basic Leadership Course, Navy chaplains learn to tailor religious ministry to life in the sea services, said Varsogea. They also learn how to facilitate the free exercise of religion for people of faiths other than their own. They learn service-specific ways to care for all people and they learn how and when to render their best military advice.

"What I enjoy most about being a chaplain candidate program officer is the camaraderie and meeting other sailors," said Chen.

With 90 percent of global commerce traveling by sea and access to the internet relying on the security of undersea fiber optic cables, Navy officials continue to emphasize that the prosperity of the United States is directly linked to recruiting and retaining talented people from across the rich fabric of America.

Chen serves a Navy that operates far forward, around the world and around the clock, promoting the nation's prosperity and security.

"We will earn and reinforce the trust and confidence of the American people every day," said Adm. Lisa Franchetti, chief of naval operations. "Together we will deliver the Navy the nation needs."

Chen has many opportunities to achieve accomplishments during military service.

"My proudest accomplishment is graduating from Officer Development School and attending the Basic Leadership Course," said Chen.

Chen can take pride in serving America through military service.

"Serving in the Navy means everything to me," said Chen. "It gives me a chance to serve God and the country that gave everything to my family."

# Quincy's Andrew Airosus Graduates U.S. Merchant Marine Academy

Andrew Anthony Airosus, son of Brandon and Donna Airosus, of Quincy recently graduated from the United States Merchant Marine Academy (USMMA) at Kings Point, NY.

Airosus earned a Bachelor of Science degree and a commission in the United States Armed Forces. He also earned a Merchant Marine officer license, qualifying him to serve as an officer on any ship in the U.S. flag merchant marine. Airosus attended North Quincy High School and Hebron Academy.

The United States Merchant Marine Academy is one of five U.S. federal service academies. It educates and graduates licensed Merchant Marine officers to serve the nation during peace and war. In addition to the rigorous academic and physical requirements for admission, applicants must be nominated by their Congressman or Senator. Airosus was nominated by Cong. Stephen Lynch.

All USMMA graduates incur an obligation to serve the United States. The U.S. Flag Merchant Marine – manned exclusively

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by American mariners – is essential for securing the country's commerce in peacetime and delivering warfighters, weapons, and military supplies in times of conflict. The majority of "Kings Pointers" serve for eight years as Navy reservists in the Strategic Sealift Officer Program while working aboard U.S. flag vessels; others will serve on active duty in our nation's armed forces.

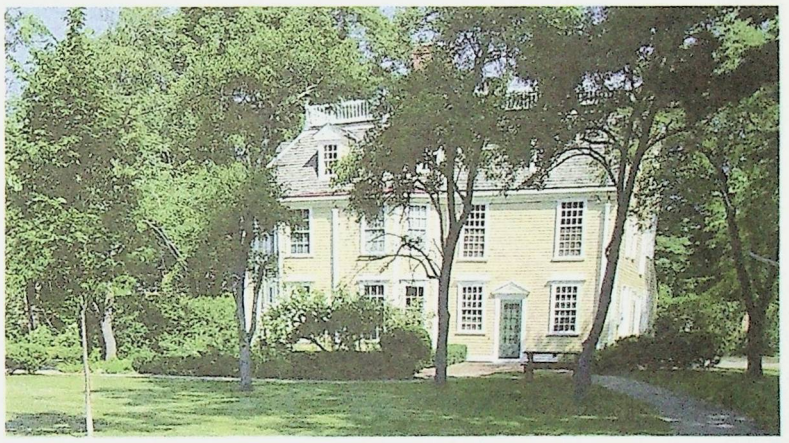
By virtue of their elite training and real-world experience, graduates are ready to go on day one in service of American military strength and economic power. As part of his four year education, Airosus spent one year training as a cadet aboard ocean going vessels.

The Academy welcomed White House National Security Advisor Jake Sullivan as the commencement speaker. Mr. Sullivan told the graduates, "You have much to be proud of, and the path you have chosen is tremendously honorable. As soon-to-be ensigns and second lieutenants, assistant engineers, and third mates, you will crew ships that are essential to our nation's security. You'll spend a large part of your life at sea so that your fellow Americans can live safely at home."

This year marks the 50th anniversary of women entering USMMA, making it the first federal service academy to admit women. In honor of this celebration, Rear Admiral Dianna Wolfson (USMMA class of '96) delivered the distinguished Alumna speech.

Dedicated during WWII, USMMA has since served the nation in both peace and war. Learn more at www.WeAreTheUSMMA.com

For more information about the Academy, visit https://www.usmma.edu/.



ON SATURDAY, Aug. 10, the Dorothy Quincy Homestead's guest presenter is a representative from the Plimoth Patuxet Museum located in Plymouth. She will be teaching how to make corn husk dolls, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Homestead is located at 34 Butler Rd., Quincy.

*Courtesy Photo*

# Hockey HOF Golf Tourney Sept. 16

The second annual combined Hockey Hall of Fame golf tournament for North Quincy and Quincy High School will be held Monday, Sept. 16th at Braintree Municipal Golf Course at 9 a.m.

Check in is at 8 a.m. The cost is $150 per golfer and includes greens fees, breakfast, dinner and prizes.

Dinner only is $35 per person.

The money will go to a deserving NQHS or QHS boy or girl going on to a 2 or 4 year college or university.

Anyone interested in participating or. sponsoring a hole can email Giordani99@gmail.com for further information.

# QHS Class Of 1964 Reunion Sept. 28

The Quincy High School Class of 1964 will hold its 60th reunion Saturday, Sept. 28 from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Common Market, 97 Willard St., Quincy.

There will be a buffet and a cash bar.

Tickets are $64 per person. Checks may be made out and sent to: Alfred Pecce, 77 Moffet Rd., Quincy, MA 02169. In order to attend, checks must be received by Aug. 1.

# Bay State Skating School Classes This Fall

Bay State Skating School will offer Learn-To-Skate classes to children ages 4-18 in the Greater Boston area including Quincy this fall..

Professional instructors teach recreational, figure and hockey skating skills to the beginner, intermediate and advanced skaters. Students can wear either figure, recreational or hockey skates.

New fall lessons begin September, October and November. Lessons are held at 10 Greater Boston Rink locations including Quincy.

For more information and to registration, visit www.BayStateSkatingSchool.org or call Bay State Skating School (781) 890-8480.

# Making Corn Husk Dolls Aug. 10 At Dorothy Quincy Homestead

On Saturday, Aug. 10, the Dorothy Quincy Homestead's guest presenter is a representative from the Plimoth Patuxet Museum located in Plymouth. She will be teaching how to make corn husk dolls, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The history of the corn husk doll dates back to Native American craftsmanship. It is unknown when the practice of making corn husk dolls began among colonial peoples, however, we know that these dolls were made by European settlers and enslaved African Americans.

Making corn husk dolls is interesting and fun to work with because they can be crunched or stretched into a variety of shapes. They can be rolled and tied or curled. They can be left natural or painted or dyed. Native Americans used the husks to weave clothing and as food wraps for cooking. They act as nature's packaging, keeping the corn moist and sweet. Perhaps you have eaten a tamale, a Mexican food steamed in corn husks.

Corn husk dolls do not have faces, and there are a number of traditional explanations for this. One legend is that the Spirit of Corn, one of the Three Sisters, made a doll out of her husks to entertain children. The doll had a beautiful face, and began to spend less time with children and more time contemplating her own loveliness. As a result of her vanity, the doll's face was taken off.

Guided tours of the Homestead are conducted every 30 minutes, on the hour and half hour, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The final tour commences at 1:30 p.m. Cost is $10 per person, donations are welcome. The Dorothy Quincy Homestead is located at 34 Butler Rd.

The Quincy Homestead is owned by the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation in a partnership with the National Society of Colonial Dames of Massachusetts.

The program is co-sponsored by the Massachusetts Cultural Council and the Quincy Art Council.

# Massachusetts Legislature Passes FutureTech Act

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this funding we are ensuring Massachusetts can provide dependable and secure services to its residents. Thank you to all my legislative colleagues who saw the value in this issue and took the necessary actions to address it."

"To ensure Massachusetts is providing services in line with 21st century technological advances, significant investments need to be made in our information and technology infrastructure," said Rep. Tackey Chan (D-Quincy). "This legislation will provide these necessary funds, allowing the Commonwealth and our municipalities to upgrade their systems and make the necessary technological investments to improve cybersecurity, customer service, and tools for research and development."

"It's important that our residents and communities can receive quick and efficient responses when requesting essential governmental services, and the FutureTech Act passed by the Legislature implements technological updates to do just that," said Rep. Bruce J. Ayers (D-Quincy). "This bill is a step forward towards modernizing our technological infrastructure, which is crucial to sustaining our economic growth and daily functions."

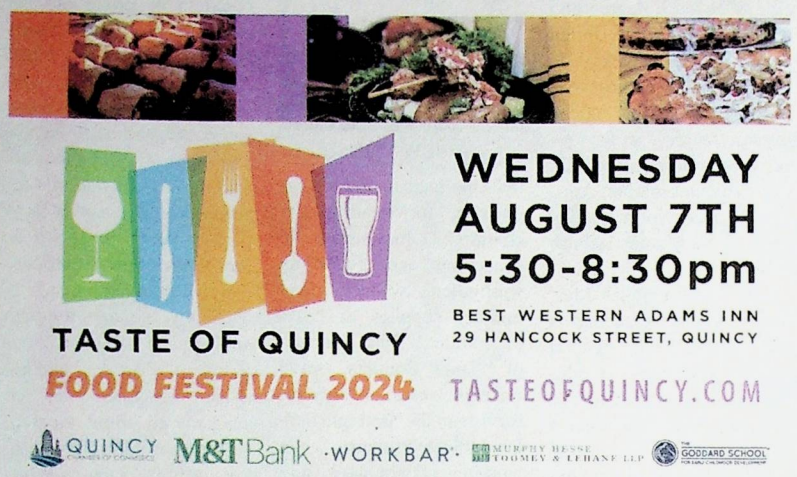
The FutureTech Act lays a foundation for technology innovation in the Commonwealth by implementing transformative projects like the Business Enterprise Systems Transformation (BEST) and the Commonwealth Digital Roadmap, both of which would be targeted at streamlining state operations and making essential government services quicker and more efficient.

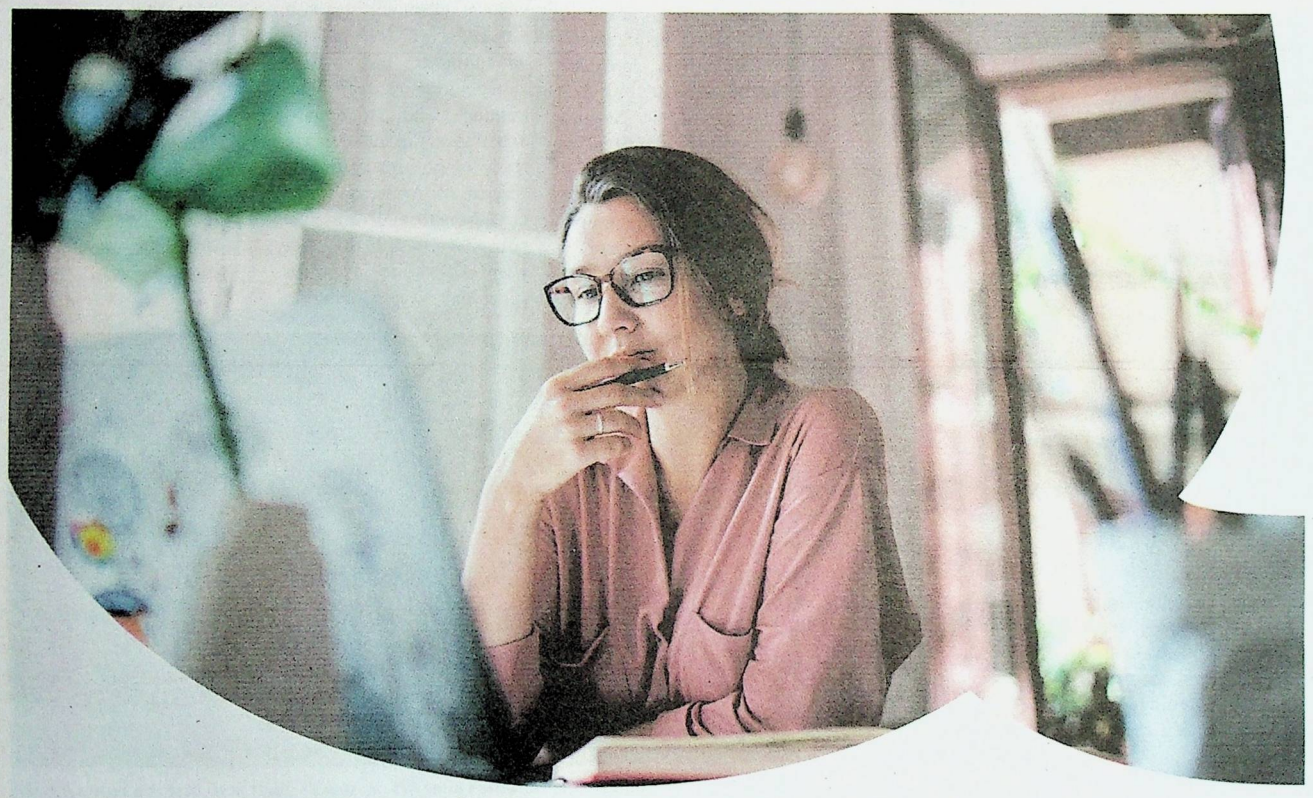
It would support a new project to consolidate and modernize the Division of Occupational Licensing's (DOL) licensing database, which currently relies on outdated infrastructure, paper files, and manual data entry. Once fully implemented, new systems will accelerate licensing and renewals.

The bill also includes authorizations to continue investments for the Employment Modernization Transformation (EMT) rollout, which will provide employers and those seeking unemployment insurance with a new portal to manage unemployment insurance claims. With phase one already rolled out, future improvements will include easier uploads, a mobile-friendly design, and enhanced accessibility features.

The FutureTech Act builds on Massachusetts' longstanding leadership in emerging technology by allocating funds for future AI projects and supporting initiatives like the Municipal Fiber Grant Program, which boosts innovation and extends efficiencies to cities and towns.

Having passed both branches of the Legislature, the legislation was signed into law Monday by Gov. Maura Healey.



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